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DECK LOG–TITLE PAGE
NAVPERS 716 (Rev. 4-56)

DECK LOG BOOK

OF THE

U.S.S. ABILITY

MSO 519
IDENTIFICATION NUMBER

COMMANDED BY

T. B. POTTER JR., LCDR., U. S. N.

Attached to { MINDIV 85 Division, MINRON 8 Squadron, — Flotilla, U.S. ATLANTIC Fleet, SIXTH Naval District,

Commencing 0000, +4Q, 1 FEBRUARY, 1966,
(zone time and date)

at U.S. NAVSTA BERMUDA.
(location)

and ending 2400, -1A 28 FEBRUARY, 1966,
(zone time and date)

at PALOMARES SPAIN
(location)

TO BE FORWARDED DIRECT TO THE BUREAU OF NAVAL PERSONNEL AT THE END OF EACH MONTH

NAVPERS-719 (REV. 10-64)

DECK LOG - REMARKS SHEET

USS ABILITY (MSO 519) ZONE DESCRIPTION +4Q DATE TUESDAY (Day) 1 (Date) FEB (Month), 19 66

AT/~~PASSAGE FROM~~ BERMUDA, BWI ~~TO~~

POSITION	ZONE	TIME
0800		
L _____	BY	_____
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POSITION	ZONE	TIME
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LEGEND: 1-CELESTIAL
2-ELECTRONIC
3-VISUAL
4-D. R.

REMARKS

00-08 MOORED STARBOARD SIDE TO THE USS NOTABLE (MSO 460) IN A NEST OF FOUR SHIPS, AT THE U.S. NAVAL STATION, BERMUDA, BWI, WITH FIVE LINES DOUBLED AND WIRES OUT FORWARD AND AFT. USS SALUTE (MSO 470) MOORED STARBOARD SIDE TO THE PIER WITH NOTABLE STARBOARD SIDE TO PORT SIDE OF SALUTE. USS RIVAL (MSO 465) MOORED OUTBOARD THIS SHIP TO PORT. RECEIVING FRESH WATER FROM THE PIER. SHIP IN CONDITION WATCH IV, WITH MATERIAL CONDITION YOKE SET. GALE CONDITION TWO IS IN EFFECT. OTHER SHIPS PRESENT INCLUDE VARIOUS UNITS OF THE U.S. ATLANTIC FLEET, THE USNS JAMES M. GILLIS, THE USNS SANDS, AND VARIOUS HARBOR CRAFT. SORA IS W.E. FOWLER, CDR, USN, COMDIV 85, EMBARKED ON THIS SHIP. 0050 JOHNSON, GARY L., 770 87 64, SA, USNR WAS DELIVERED ON BOARD BY THE SHORE PATROL, BERMUDA, BWI, HAVING BEEN U/A SINCE 1830 ON 31 JAN, 1966. 0630 SET MATERIAL CONDITION XRAY 0750 MUSTERED CREW AT QUARTERS. ABSENTEES: NONE.

Marvin S. Bass, Jr.
Ensign, USNR

APPROVED: EXAMINED:

LCDR U. S. N. COMMANDING R.J. Osterman, LT. U. S. N. NAVIGATOR

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NAVPERS-719 (REV. 10-64) **DECK LOG - REMARKS SHEET**

USS ABILITY (MSO 519) DATE TUESDAY, 1 FEB. 19 66
(Day) (Date) (Month)

REMARKS-CONTINUED

08-24 MOORED AS BEFORE. 1800 SET MATERIAL CONDITION YOKE. 1915 SMALL CRAFT WARNING LIFTED.

CDG USNR

APPROVED:

J B Potter LCDR U. S. N. COMMANDING

EXAMINED:

R J Osterman, LT. U. S. N. NAVIGATOR

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NAVPERS-719 (REV. 10-64)

DECK LOG - REMARKS SHEET

USS ABILITY (MSO 519) ZONE DESCRIPTION +4 Q DATE WEDNESDAY 2 FEB. 1966
(Day) (Date) (Month)

AT/PASSAGE FROM BERMUDA, B.W.I. TO

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1200		
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POSITION	ZONE	TIME
2000		
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LEGEND: 1-CELESTIAL
2-ELECTRONIC
3-VISUAL
4-D. R.

REMARKS

00-08 MOORED STARBOARD SIDE TO USS NOTABLE (MSO 460) IN A NEST OF FOUR SHIPS AT U.S. NAVAL STATION, BERMUDA, B.W.I, WITH FIVE LINES DOUBLED AND WIRES OUT FORE AND AFT. USS SALUTE (MSO 470) MOORED STARBOARD SIDE TO THE PIER, WITH NOTABLE STARBOARD SIDE TO HER PORT SIDE. USS RIVAL (MSO 468) MOORED OUTBOARD THIS SHIP TO PORT. RECEIVING FRESH WATER FROM THE PIER. SHIP IN CONDITION WATCH X WITH MATERIAL CONDITION YOKE SET. OTHER SHIPS PRESENT INCLUDE VARIOUS UNITS OF THE ATLANTIC FLEET WITH VARIOUS MERCHANT AND HARBOR CRAFT. SOPA IS COMINDIV 65 EMBARKED ON THIS SHIP. 0630 SET MATERIAL CONDITION XRAY. 0750 MUSTERED THE CREW AT QUARTERS. ABSENTEES: NONE.

B S Willard, LTJG, USNR

APPROVED:

[signature] CDR U. S. N. COMMANDING

EXAMINED:

R/ Patterson, LT. U. S. N. NAVIGATOR

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NAVPERS-719 (REV. 10-64) DECK LOG - REMARKS SHEET

USS ABILITY (MSO 519) DATE WED 2 FEB. 1966
(Day) (Date) (Month)

REMARKS-CONTINUED

08-24 MOORED AS BEFORE. 0900 COMMENCED PREPARATIONS FOR GETTING UNDERWAY. SET MATERIAL CONDITION YOKE. 0908 SET THE SPECIAL SEA DETAIL. 0929 USS RIVAL (MSO 468) GOT UNDERWAY FROM OUR PORT SIDE AND STOOD OUT INTO THE HARBOR. 0930 COMPLETED PREPARATIONS FOR GETTING UNDERWAY. DRAFT FORWARD 11'2", AFT 11'2". 0933 UNDERWAY TO SHIFT BERTHS. NAVIGATOR CONNING, CAPTAIN ON THE BRIDGE. MANEUVERING AT VARIOUS COURSES AND SPEEDS TO ALLOW USNS SANDS AND USNS J.M. GILLIS TO GET UNDERWAY AND STAND OUT OF THE HARBOR. 1016 COMMENCED MAKING APPROACH TO PIER. 1022 MOORED STARBOARD SIDE TO PIER 12, U.S. NAVAL STATION, BERMUDA, BRITISH WEST INDIES, WITH SEVEN MOORING LINES DOUBLED AND WIRES OUT FORE AND AFT. 1027 SECURED THE SPECIAL SEA DETAIL. SET THE REGULAR INPORT WATCH. 1028 USS NOTABLE (MSO 460) MOORED OUTBOARD THIS SHIP TO PORT. 1031. USS SALUTE (MSO 470) MOORED OUTBOARD NOTABLE TO PORT. 1037 RIVAL MOORED OUTBOARD SALUTE TO PORT. 1201 SMALL CRAFT WARNINGS IN EFFECT. 1920 MUSTERED THE INPORT FIRE PARTY. 2222 MICHARD, D.P. 904 16 78, USN, FN, STATIONED ABOARD USS SAN PABLO (AGS 30) FELL OFF PIER 12 INTO THE WATER. 2238 MAN WAS PULLED FROM WATER, AND TAKEN ABOARD THE SAN PABLO. NO INJURIES SUSTAINED.

B.S. Wallace, LDO, USNR

APPROVED:

D.B. Ostby LCDR U. S. N. COMMANDING

EXAMINED:

R.J. Osterman, LT. U. S. N. NAVIGATOR

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NAVPERS-719 (REV. 10-64)

DECK LOG - REMARKS SHEET

USS ABILITY (MSO519) ZONE DESCRIPTION + 4 Q DATE THURSDAY 3 FEB. 1966
(Day) (Date) (Month)

AT/PASSAGE FROM BERMUDA, B.W.I. TO

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LEGEND: 1-CELESTIAL
2-ELECTRONIC
3-VISUAL
4-D. R.

REMARKS

00-08 MOORED STARBOARD SIDE TO THE PIER IN A NEST OF FOUR SHIPS AT U.S. NAVAL STATION, BERMUDA, BWI. WITH SEVEN LINES DOUBLED AND WIRES OUT FORE AND AFT. USS NOTABLE MOORED STARBOARD SIDE TO OUR PORT SIDE. USS SALUTE (MSO 470) MOORED STARBOARD SIDE TO NOTABLE. USS RIVAL (MSO 468) MOORED STARBOARD SIDE TO SALUTE. RECEIVING FRESH WATER FROM THE PIER. SHIP IN CONDITION WATCH II WITH MATERIAL CONDITION YOKE SET. OTHER SHIPS PRESENT INCLUDE VARIOUS UNITS OF THE U.S. ATLANTIC FLEET PLUS VARIOUS MERCHANT AND HARBOR CRAFT. SOPA IS COMINDIV 85 EMBARKED ON THIS SHIP. 0630 SET MATERIAL CONDITION XRAY. 0750 MUSTERED THE CREW AT QUARTERS. ABSENTEES: NONE.

B.S. Williams, LTJG, USNR

APPROVED:

D.B. Potter, LCDR U. S. N. COMMANDING

EXAMINED:

R.J. Osterman, LT. U. S. N. NAVIGATOR

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USS ABILITY (MSO 519) DATE THURSDAY 3 FEB 1966
(Day) (Date) (Month)

REMARKS-CONTINUED

08-24 MOORED AS BEFORE. 0905 USS WALWORTH COUNTY (LST-1164) MOORED ASTERN OF ABILITY. 1033 COMMENCED FUELING FROM PIER, DRAFT FORWARD 10 FT. 10 IN., AFT 11 FT. 2 IN. 1115 FUELING COMPLETED, DRAFT FORWARD 10 FT. 11 IN., AFT 11 FT. 3 IN. 1313 USS THOR (ARC 4), UNDERWAY FROM FUEL PIER. 1333 USS HOIST (ARS 40) MOORED PORT SIDE TO FUEL PIER. 1517 WALWORTH COUNTY UNDERWAY FROM FUEL PIER. 1800 SET MATERIAL CONDITION YOKE.

Marvin S. Bass Jr.
Ensign, USNR

APPROVED: EXAMINED:

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DECK LOG - REMARKS SHEET

USS ABILITY (MSO 519) ZONE DESCRIPTION +4Q DATE FRIDAY (Day) 4 (Date) FEB (Month) . 19 66

AT/~~PASSAGE FROM~~ BERMUDA, BWI ~~TO~~

POSITION	ZONE	TIME
0800		
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λ _____	BY	

POSITION	ZONE	TIME
1200		
L 32-15.9N	BY	2
λ 64-26.1W	BY	2

POSITION	ZONE	TIME
2000		
L 31-48.6N	BY	4
λ 63-20.1W	BY	4

LEGEND: 1-CELESTIAL
2-ELECTRONIC
3-VISUAL
4-D. R.

REMARKS

00-08 MOORED STARBOARD SIDE TO THE PIER IN A NEST OF FOUR SHIPS AT U.S. NAVAL STATION, BERMUDA, B.W.I., WITH SEVEN LINES DOUBLED AND WIRES OUT FORWARD AND AFT. USS NOTABLE (MSO 460) MOORED STARBOARD SIDE TO OUR PORT SIDE. USS SALUTE (MSO 470) MOORED STARBOARD SIDE TO NOTABLE. USS RIVAL (MSO 468) MOORED STARBOARD SIDE TO ~~NO~~ SALUTE. RECEIVING FRESH WATER FROM THE PIER. SHIP IN CONDITION WATCH V WITH MATERIAL CONDITION YOKE SET. OTHER SHIPS PRESENT INCLUDE VARIOUS UNITS OF THE U.S. ATLANTIC FLEET PLUS VARIOUS MERCHANT AND HARBOR CRAFT. SOPA IS COMINDIV 85 EMBARKED ON THIS SHIP. 0630 SET MATERIAL CONDITION XRAY. 0750 MUSTERED THE CREW AT QUARTERS. ABSENTEES: NONE.

Marvin S. Bass, Jr.
Ensign, USNR

08-12 MOORED AS BEFORE. 0840 COMMENCED PREPARATIONS FOR GETTING UNDERWAY. SET MATERIAL CONDITION YOKE. 0845 STATIONED THE SPECIAL SEA DETAIL. 0850 COMPLETED ALL PREPARATIONS FOR GETTING UNDERWAY. DRAFT: FORWARD 10 FT. 11 IN., AFT 11 FT. 2 IN. 0851 USS RIVAL (MSO 468) UNDERWAY FROM PORT SIDE OFF USS SALUTE (MSO 470). 0856 SALUTE UNDERWAY FROM PORT SIDE OF USS NOTABLE (MSO 460). 0904 NOTABLE UNDERWAY FROM PORT SIDE OF THIS SHIP. 0905 OOD HAS THE CONN, CAPTAIN AND NAVIGATOR ON THE BRIDGE. 0912 UNDERWAY FOR AZORES ISLANDS, IN ACCORDANCE WITH COMINDIV 85 OPORD 2-66. 0913 STEERING VARIOUS COURSES AT VARIOUS SPEEDS WHILE STANDING OUT OF THE HARBOR. 0914 C/C TO 085. 1040 PASSED ENTRANCE BUOY ABEAM TO STARBOARD, RANGE 100 YDS. 1041 SECURED SPECIAL SEA DETAIL AND SET THE REGULAR UNDERWAY WATCH. 1043 C/C TO 110. 1045 C/C TO 118. 1059 C/C TO 125. 1107 C/C TO 120. 1108 FORMED DIAMOND FORMATION. RIVAL IS GUIDE IN STATION 1. SALUTE IN STATION 2. NOTABLE IN STATION 3. ABILITY IN STATION 4. FORMATION COURSE AND AXIS IS 120. BASE SPEED 9KTS. STANDARD DISTANCE IS 500 YDS. USS HOIST (ARS 40) IS MANUVERING INDEPENDENTLY ASTERN OF FORMATION WITHIN VISUAL SIGNALING RANGE. GUIDE BEARS 120, RANGE 1500 YDS.

Marvin S. Bass, Jr.
Ensign, USNR

APPROVED: EXAMINED:

B Botley LCDR U. S. N. COMMANDING R J Osterman, LT. U. S. N. NAVIGATOR

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USS ABILITY (MSO 519) DATE FRIDAY 4 FEB. 1966
(Day) (Date) (Month)

REMARKS-CONTINUED

12-16 UNDERWAY AS BEFORE. 1550 C/C 126°T.

J B Clark
LTJG USNR

16-18 UNDERWAY AS BEFORE. 1608 USS RIVAL (MSO 468) AND USS SALUTE EXCHANGED STATIONS. SALUTE IS NOW GUIDE IN STATION 1, RIVAL IS ~~OUT~~ IN STATION 2. USS NOTABLE (MSO 460) IN STATION 3 AND THIS SHIP IN STATION 4. FORMATION COURSE AND AXIS REMAINS AT 120°.

BW

B C Wilder LTJG, USNR

18-20 Underway as before.

Marvin D. Paus, Jr.
Ensign, USNR

20-24 UNDERWAY AS BEFORE.

J B Clark
LTJG USNR.

APPROVED: EXAMINED:

J B Potter LCDR U. S. N. COMMANDING R J Osterman, LT. U. S. N. NAVIGATOR

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DECK LOG - REMARKS SHEET

USS ABILITY (MSO519) ZONE DESCRIPTION +4Q DATE SATURDAY (Day) 5 (Date) FEB (Month). 1966

AT/PASSAGE FROM BERMUDA BWI TO AZORES

POSITION	ZONE	TIME
0800		
L 30-42.1 N	BY	4
λ 61-15.0 W	BY	4

POSITION	ZONE	TIME
1200		
L 30-09.2 N	BY	1
λ 61-06.0 W	BY	1

POSITION	ZONE	TIME
2000		
L 30-01.6 N	BY	4
λ 59-18.0 W	BY	4

LEGEND: 1-CELESTIAL
2-ELECTRONIC
3-VISUAL
4-D. R.

REMARKS

00-04 UNDERWAY ENROUTE AZORES IN ACCORDANCE WITH COMINDIV 85 OPORD 2-66 IN COMPANY WITH MINDIV 85 AND USS HOIST (ARS 40). STEAMING IN DIAMOND FORMATION ON BASE COURSE 120, SPEED 9. GUIDE IS USS SALUTE (MSO 470) IN STATION 1. USS RIVAL (MSO 468) IN STATION 2, USS NOTABLE (MSO 460) IN STATION 3, THIS SHIP IN STATION 4. GUIDE BEARS 120° RANGE 1500 YARDS. FORMATION AXIS 120°. HOIST IS ASTERN OF THIS SHIP STEAMING ~~INDEPENDENTLY~~ INDEPENDENTLY. SHIP IN CONDITION WATCH IV WITH MATERIAL CONDITION YOKE SET. OTC IS COMINDIV 85 EMBARKED ON THIS SHIP.

BSW

B. S. Williams, LTJG, USNR

04-08 Underway as before. 0750 Mustered the crew at quarters. Absentees: None.

Marvin S. Bass, Jr.
Ensign, USNR

08-12 UNDERWAY AS BEFORE. 0800 EXERCISED THE CREW AT GENERAL QUARTERS. 0905 SECURED FROM GENERAL QUARTERS.

B. S. Williams
LTJG USNR.

APPROVED: D. B. Butler, CCDR U. S. N. COMMANDING

EXAMINED: R. J. Osterman, Lt. U. S. N. NAVIGATOR

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USS ABILITY (MSO 519) DATE SATURDAY (Day) 5 (Date) FEB. (Month) 19 66

REMARKS-CONTINUED

1200-1600 UNDERWAY AS BEFORE.

B S W Ward, LTJG, USNR

16-18 Underway as before.

Marvin S. Rose, Jr.
Ensign, USNR

18-20 UNDERWAY AS BEFORE. 1829 C/C 090°T. MANEUVERING ON VARIOUS COURSES AT VARIOUS SPEEDS TO EXCHANGE STATIONS WITH USS RIVAL (MSO 468). SALUTE (MSO 470) IS GUIDE IN STATION ONE, ABILITY (MSO 519) IN STATION TWO, NOTABLE (MSO-460) IN STATION THREE, AND RIVAL (MSO 468) IN STATION FOUR. USS HOIST (ARS 40) STEAMING INDEPENDENTLY ASTERN OF FORMATION. FORMATION AXIS 090°T. FORMATION SPEED REMAINS THE SAME.

LTJG USNR.

20-24 UNDERWAY AS BEFORE.

B S W Ward, LTJG, USNR

APPROVED: EXAMINED:

D G Cotter J LCDR U. S. N. COMMANDING R J Osterman, LT. U. S. N. NAVIGATOR

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NAVPERS-719 (REV. 10-64)

DECK LOG - REMARKS SHEET

USS ABILITY (MSO 519) ZONE DESCRIPTION +4 @ DATE SUNDAY (Day) 6 (Date) FEB (Month) . 19 66

AT/PASSAGE FROM BERMUDA, BWI TO AZORES

POSITION	ZONE	TIME
0800		
L 29-54.2 N	BY	1
λ 57-05.5 W	BY	1

POSITION	ZONE	TIME
1200		
L 29.56.0 N	BY	1
λ 56-01.0 W	BY	1

POSITION	ZONE	TIME
2000		
L 29-55.0 N	BY	1
λ 54-46.1 W	BY	1

LEGEND: 1-CELESTIAL
2-ELECTRONIC
3-VISUAL
4-D. R.

REMARKS

00-04 Underway enroute Azores in accordance with COMINDIV 85 OPORD 2-66 in company with Mine Division 85 and USS Hoist (ARS 40). Steaming in diamond formation on base course 090°, speed 9 Knots. Guide is USS Salute (MSO 470) in station 1. USS Rival (MSO 468) in station 4. USS Ability in station 2. USS Notable in station 3. Guide bears 135°, range 1000 yards. Formation axis is 090°. Hoist is astern of station four steaming independently. Ship is in Condition Watch Four, with material condition Yoke set. OTC is COMINDIV 85 embarked on this ship.

Marvin S. Bass, Jr.
Ensign, USNR

04-08 UNDERWAY AS BEFORE. 0745 MUSTERED CREW ON STATION. ABSENTEES: NONE.

LTJG USNR.

0800-1200 UNDERWAY AS BEFORE.

LTJG USNR

APPROVED: EXAMINED:

LCDR U. S. N. COMMANDING U. S. N. NAVIGATOR

TO BE FORWARDED TO THE BUREAU OF NAVAL PERSONNEL AT THE END OF EACH MONTH

NAVPERS-719 (REV. 10-64) DECK LOG - REMARKS SHEET

USS ABILTY (MSO 519) DATE SUNDAY 6 FEB. 1966
(Day) (Date) (Month)

REMARKS-CONTINUED

12-16 Underway as before.

Marvin S. Bass, Jr.
Ensign, USNR

16-18 UNDERWAY AS BEFORE.

LDG USNR.

18-20 UNDERWAY AS BEFORE.

B S Williams, LDG, USNR

20-24 Underway as before. 2359 Set all clocks ahead one hour to conform with +3 Papa Time zone.

Marvin S. Bass, Jr.
Ensign, USNR

APPROVED: EXAMINED:

R B Bottley LCDR U. S. N. COMMANDING R/O Stinnett U. S. N. NAVIGATOR

TO BE FORWARDED TO THE BUREAU OF NAVAL PERSONNEL AT THE END OF EACH MONTH

NAVPERS-719 (REV. 10-64)

DECK LOG - REMARKS SHEET

USS ABILITY (MSO 519) ZONE DESCRIPTION +3 P DATE MONDAY (Day) 7 (Date) FEB (Month). 19 66

AT/PASSAGE FROM BERMUDA, BWI TO AZORES

POSITION	ZONE	TIME
0800		
L 29-54.0N	BY	1
λ 52-54.5W	BY	1

POSITION	ZONE	TIME
1200		
L 29-56.0N	BY	1
λ 52-08.0W	BY	1

POSITION	ZONE	TIME
2000		
L 30-00.0N	BY	1
λ 50-51.0W	BY	1

LEGEND: 1-CELESTIAL
2-ELECTRONIC
3-VISUAL
4-D. R.

REMARKS

00-04 UNDERWAY ENROUTE AZORES IN ACCORDANCE WITH COMINDIV 85 OPORD 2-66 IN COMPANY WITH MINDIV 85 AND USS HOIST (ARS 40). STEAMING IN A DIAMOND FORMATION JR ON BASE COURSE 090°T, SPEED 9 KNOTS. GUIDE IS USS SALUTE (MSO 470) IN STATION ONE. THIS SHIP IN STATION TWO, USS NOTABLE (MSO 460) IN STATION ~~FOUR~~ THREE, USS RIVAL JR (MSO 468) IN STATION FOUR. GUIDE BEARS 135°T, RANGE 1000 YARDS. FORMATION ~~AXIS~~ AXIS 090°T. HOIST IS ASTERN JR OF STATION FOUR STEAMING INDEPENDENTLY. SHIP IN CONDITION WATCH IV WITH MATERIAL CONDITION YOKE SET. O.T.C. IS COMINDIV 85 EMBARKED IN THIS SHIP.

LTJG USNR.

0400-0800 UNDERWAY AS BEFORE. 0750 MUSTERED THE CREW AT QUARTERS. ABSENTEES: NONE.

BS Willard, LTJG, USNR

B 08-12 Underway as before.

Marvin S. Bass, Jr.
Ensign, USNR

APPROVED:

JB Battey, LCDR U. S. N. COMMANDING

EXAMINED:

RJ Osterman, Lt. U. S. N. NAVIGATOR

TO BE FORWARDED TO THE BUREAU OF NAVAL PERSONNEL AT THE END OF EACH MONTH

NAVPERS-719 (REV. 10-64) DECK LOG - REMARKS SHEET

USS ABILITY (MSO 519) DATE MONDAY 7 FEB. 1966
(Day) (Date) (Month)

REMARKS-CONTINUED

12-16 UNDERWAY AS BEFORE.

J B Clark
LTJG USNR.

16-18 UNDERWAY AS BEFORE

B S Willard, LTJG, USNR

18-20 Underway as before.

Marvin S. Bass, Jr.
Ensign, USNR

20-24 UNDERWAY AS BEFORE.

J B Clark
LTJG USNR.

APPROVED: EXAMINED:

J B Petty LCDR U. S. N. COMMANDING R J Osterman, LT, U. S. N. NAVIGATOR

TO BE FORWARDED TO THE BUREAU OF NAVAL PERSONNEL AT THE END OF EACH MONTH

NAVPERS-719 (REV. 10-64)

DECK LOG - REMARKS SHEET

USS ABILITY (MSO 5?9) ZONE DESCRIPTION +3P DATE TUESDAY 8 FEB. 1966
(Day) (Date) (Month)

AT/PASSAGE FROM BERMUDA, BWI TO AZORES

POSITION ZONE TIME		
0800		
L 29-56.0N	BY	1
λ 48-57.0W	BY	1

POSITION ZONE TIME		
1200		
L 29-55.0N	BY	1
λ 48-05.0W	BY	1

POSITION ZONE TIME		
2000		
L 29-59.8N	BY	1
λ 46-53.5W	BY	1

LEGEND: 1-CELESTIAL
2-ELECTRONIC
3-VISUAL
4-D. R.

REMARKS

00-04 UNDERWAY ENROUTE AZORES IN ACCORDANCE WITH COMINDIV 85 OP ORD 2-66 IN COMPANY WITH MINDIV 85 AND USS HOIST (ARS 40). STEAMING IN DIAMOND FORMATION ON BASE COURSE 090, SPEED 9. GUIDE IS USS SALUTE (MSO 470) IN STATION 1. USS ABILITY IN STATION 2, USS NOTABLE (MSO 460) IN STATION 3, USS RIVAL (MSO 468) IN STATION 4. GUIDE BEARS 135, RANGE 1000 YDS. FORMATION AXIS 090. HOIST IS ASTERN OF FORMATION STEAMING INDEPENDENTLY. SHIP IN CONDITION WATCH IV. WITH MATERIAL CONDITION YOKE SET. OTC IS COMINDIV 85 EMBARKED ON THIS SHIP.

B S Williams, LTJG, USNR

04-08 Underway as before. 0731 c/c 320°. 0736 c/c 325°. 0740 c/c 145°. 0743 c/s 10 knots. 0743 c/c 120°. 0744 c/c 115°. 0745 Steering various courses at various speeds returning to station two. 0750 Mustered the crew at quarters. Absentees: None.

Marvin S. Bans, Jr.
Ensign, USNR

08-12 UNDERWAY AS BEFORE. 0805 C/C 090°T C/S 8 KNOTS. 0815 C/S 10 KNOTS. 0816 C/C 320°T 0820 C/C 090°T C/S 8 KNOTS. 0922 C/C 070°T 0927 C/C 110°T. 1000 C/C 115°T 1030 C/C 090°T 1039 C/C 100°T C/S 7 KNOTS. 1055 C/C 085°T 1100 C/S 8 KNOTS. 1109 C/C 070°T C/S 9 KNOTS. 1117 C/C 110°T C/S 8 KNOTS. 1123 C/C 330°T C/S 10 KNOTS 1129 C/C 290°T 1130 C/C 300°T 1135 C/C 315°T.

LTJG USNR

APPROVED: J G Bottley LCDR U. S. N. COMMANDING

EXAMINED: R J Osterman U. S. N. NAVIGATOR

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NAVPERS-719 (REV. 10-64) DECK LOG - REMARKS SHEET

USS ABILITY (MSO 519) DATE TUESDAY 8 FEB. 1966
(Day) (Date) (Month)

REMARKS-CONTINUED

12-16 UNDERWAY AS BEFORE. 1350 TOOK LIFEGUARD STATION ASTERN OF THE U.S.S RIVAL (MSO 468) DISTANCE 1000 YARDS. RIVAL IS REFUELING FROM U.S.S. HOIST (ARS 40) ON BASE COURSE 110° SPEED 8 KTS, USING ASTERN METHOD OF FUELING. 1458 ~~SOUNDING~~ BJW SET THE REPLENISHMENT DETAIL. 1505 ALL STATIONS MANNED AND READY. 1508 CAPTAIN HAS THE CONN. 1529 SECURED REPLENISHMENT DETAIL AFTER HEARING THAT HOIST HAD PARTED THE FUELING HOSE. 1532 SET THE REGULAR UNDERWAY WATCH. 1533 OOD TOOK THE CONN. 1535 FORMED DIAMOND FORMATION. RIVAL IS GUIDE IN STATION 1 BEARING 135 RANGE 1000 YDS, ON BASE COURSE 090. FORMATION AXIS 090. USS NOTABLE (MSO 460) IN STATION 3, USS SALUTE IN STATION 4, THIS SHIP IN STATION 2. HOIST STEAMING INDEPENDENTLY OFF STARBOARD QUARTER OF SALUTE. BASE SPEED IS 9 KTS.

B S Willard, LTJG, USNR

16-18 Underway as before.

Marvin S. Bass, Jr.
Ensign, USNR

C/S 18-20 UNDERWAY AS BEFORE.

J S Clark
LTJG USNR

20-24 UNDERWAY AS BEFORE. 2025 CHANGED FORMATION COURSE AND AXIS TO 088.

B S Willard, LTJG, USNR

APPROVED:

D G Cotter J CCOR U. S. N. COMMANDING

EXAMINED:

R J Saturma, LT. U. S. N. NAVIGATOR

TO BE FORWARDED TO THE BUREAU OF NAVAL PERSONNEL AT THE END OF EACH MONTH

NAVPERS-719 (REV. 10-64) **DECK LOG - REMARKS SHEET**

USS ABILITY (MSO 519) ZONE DESCRIPTION +3P DATE WEDNESDAY 9 FEB. 1966
(Day) (Date) (Month)

~~AT~~/PASSAGE FROM BERMUDA, BWI TO AZORES

POSITION ZONE TIME	POSITION ZONE TIME	POSITION ZONE TIME	LEGEND: 1-CELESTIAL 2-ELECTRONIC 3-VISUAL 4-D. R.
0800	1200	2000	
L 29-56.1N BY 4	L 29-48.0N BY 1	L 29-56.5N BY 1	
λ 44-40.0W BY 4	λ 43-53.0W BY 1	λ 42-21.2W BY 1	

REMARKS

00-04 Underway enroute Azores in accordance with COMINDIV 85 OPORD 2-66 in company with MINDIV 85 and USS Hoist (ARS 40). Steaming in diamond formation on base course 088°, speed 9 knots. Guide is USS Rival (MSO 468) in station 1. USS Ability in station 2. USS Notable (MSO 460) in station 3. USS Salute (MSO 470) in station 4. Guide bears 133° at range of 1000 yards. Formation axis is 088°. Hoist is astern of formation steaming independently. Ship is in Condition Watch Four, with material condition Yoke set. OTC is COMINDIV 85, embarked on this ship.

Marvin S. Bass, Jr.
Ensign, USNR

04-08 UNDERWAY AS BEFORE. 0750 MUSTERED THE CREW AT QUARTERS. ABSENTEES: NONE

LDG USNR

APPROVED: EXAMINED:

USN COMMANDING R J Osterman, LT. U. S. N. NAVIGATOR

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NAVPERS-719 (REV. 10-64) DECK LOG - REMARKS SHEET

USS ABILITY (MSO 519) DATE WEDNESDAY 9 FEB. 1966
(Day) (Date) (Month)

REMARKS-CONTINUED

OB-12 UNDERWAY AS BEFORE. 0820 USS HOIST (ARS 40) HAULED OUT ASTERN OF USS SALUTE (MSO 470) AND PROCEEDED TO STATION THREE MILES AHEAD OF THIS SHIP TO PREPARE FOR REFUELING ABILITY. 0935 CAPTAIN TOOK THE CONN. SET THE REPLENISHMENT DETAIL. MANEUVERING AT VARIOUS COURSES AND SPEEDS TO TAKE STATION ABOUT 100 YDS ASTERN OF HOIST. REPLENISHMENT COURSE 088° SPEED 8 KTS. 0937 000 HAS THE CONN. 0954 THIS SHIP ON STATION ASTERN OF HOIST. 1007 COMMENCED REFUELING BY ASTERN METHOD. 1116 COMPLETED REFUELING HAVING TAKEN ON 6540 GALONS OF FUEL. 1128 ALL LINES CLEAR, MANEUVERING TO TAKE STATION 2 OF DIAMOND FORMATION.

BS Willard, LTJG, USNR

12-16 Underway as before. 1237 This ship back in station two of diamond formation. USS Hoist (ARS 40) secured engines and left formation to make repairs on steering gear.

Marvin S. Bass, Jr.
Ensign, USNR

16-18 UNDERWAY AS BEFORE.

J S Clark Jr
LTJG USNR

18-20 UNDERWAY AS BEFORE.

BS Willard, LTJG USNR

20-24 Underway as before. 2015 Changed base course and formation axis to 080°.

Marvin S. Bass, Jr.
Ensign, USNR

APPROVED: EXAMINED:

D B Colby LCDR U. S. N. COMMANDING R/D Stutzman, LT. U. S. N. NAVIGATOR

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NAVPERS-719 (REV. 10-64)

DECK LOG - REMARKS SHEET

USS ABILITY (MSO 519) ZONE DESCRIPTION _____ DATE THURSDAY 10 FEB. 19 66
(Day) (Date) (Month)

AT/PASSAGE FROM BERMUDA, BWI TO AZORES

POSITION	ZONE	TIME
0800		
L 30-05.5N	BY	1
λ 40-20.1W	BY	1

POSITION	ZONE	TIME
1200		
L 30-16.8N	BY	1
λ 39-48.0W	BY	1

POSITION	ZONE	TIME
2000		
L 31-05.7N	BY	1
λ 38-25.1W	BY	1

LEGEND: 1-CELESTIAL
2-ELECTRONIC
3-VISUAL
4-D. R.

REMARKS

00-04 UNDERWAY ENROUTE AZORES IN ACCORDANCE WITH COMINDIV 85 OPORD 2-66 IN COMPANY WITH MINDIV 85 AND USS HOIST (ARS 40). STEAMING IN DIAMOND FORMATION ON BASE COURSE 080, SPEED 9 KTS. GUIDE IS USS RIVAL (MSO 463) IN STATION 1. USS ABILITY IN STATION 2. USS NOTABLE (MSO 460) IN STATION 3. USS SALUTE (MSO 470) IN STATION 4. GUIDE BEARS 125, RANGE 1000 YDS, FORMATION AXIS IS 080. HOIST IS ASTERN OF FORMATION STEAMING INDEPENDENTLY. SHIP IS IN CONDITION WATCH IV, WITH MATERIAL CONDITION YOKE SET. OTC IS COMINDIV 85 EMBARKED ON THIS SHIP.

OTC

04-08 UNDERWAY AS BEFORE. 0545 USS HOIST (ARS 40) HAULED OUT FROM ASTERN OF SALUTE (MSO 470) TO TAKE STATION AHEAD OF FORMATION WHILE PREPARING TO STREAM TOWING RIG. 0715 HOIST TOOK STATION 3 MILES AHEAD OF FORMATION AND PROCEEDED TO STREAM GEAR. 0734 C/C 060° C/S 7 KTS TO KEEP ASTERN OF HOIST. 0750 MUSTERED THE CREW AT QUARTERS. ABSENTEES: NONE.

B.S. Williams, LTJG, USNR.

08-12 Underway as before. 0805 Exercised the crew at General Quarters. 0807 Executive Officer took the deck and Conn. Condition Zebra set throughout the ship. 0858 Set condition Yoke throughout the ship. 0859 c/c 165°. 0900 c/c 160°. 0903 Secured from General Quarters. 0908 c/c 057°. 0909 c/s 7 knots. 0910 OOD was given the deck and Conn. 0920 Executive Officer took the deck and Conn. 1015 OOD was given the deck and Conn. 1016 Steering various courses and speeds to maintain lifeguard station for refueling operations. 1024 Captain took the deck and Conn. 1100 OOD was given the deck and Conn. 1146 USS Notable (MSO 460) completed refueling from USS Hoist (ARS 40). 1149 c/c 350°, c/s 9 knots. 1152 c/c 025°, c/s 11 knots. 1153 c/c 035°. 1154 c/c 060°. 1157 c/c 065°. 1159 c/c 135°.

Marvin S. Bass, Jr.
Ensign, USNR

APPROVED: _____ CDR U. S. N. COMMANDING

EXAMINED: _____ LT. U. S. N. NAVIGATOR

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NAVPERS-719 (REV. 10-64) **DECK LOG - REMARKS SHEET**

USS ABILITY (MSO 519) DATE THURSDAY 10 FEB 1966
(Day) (Date) (Month)

REMARKS-CONTINUED

12-16 UNDERWAY AS BEFORE. 1200 C/C TO 125, C/C TO 105. 1202 MANEUVERING TO TAKE STATION 4 IN DELTA FORMATION. 1210 GUIDE IS USS NOTABLE (MSO 460) IN STATION 1. USS RIVAL (MSO 463) IN STATION 2. USS SALUTE (MSO 470) IS IN STATION 3. USS ABILITY IN STATION 4. FORMATION AXIS IS 060. BASE SPEED 8 KNOTS. 1308 EXERCISED THE CREW AT GENERAL QUARTERS. 1335 SECURED FROM GENERAL QUARTERS.

LTJG USNR

16-18 UNDERWAY AS BEFORE. 1600 CHANGED FORMATION SPEED 12 KTS. DETACHED USS HOIST (ARS 40) FROM FORMATION TO PROCEED AS PREVIOUSLY ASSIGNED.

LTJG, USNR

18-20 Underway as before.

Ensign, USNR

20-24 UNDERWAY AS BEFORE. 2145 CHANGE FORMATION SPEED TO 11 KTS.

LTJG USNR

APPROVED: EXAMINED:

U. S. N. COMMANDING U. S. N. NAVIGATOR

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NAVPERS-719 (REV. 10-64)

DECK LOG - REMARKS SHEET

USS ABILITY (MSO519) ZONE DESCRIPTION +2 DATE FRIDAY (Day) 11 (Date) FEB (Month). 1966

AT/PASSAGE FROM BERMUDA, B.W.I TO AZORES

POSITION	ZONE	TIME
0800		
L 32-06.9 N	BY	4
λ 36-21.5 W	BY	4

POSITION	ZONE	TIME
1200		
L 32-28.1 N	BY	4
λ 35-39.1 W	BY	4

POSITION	ZONE	TIME
2000		
L 33-13.7 N	BY	4
λ 34-05.5 W	BY	4

LEGEND: 1-CELESTIAL
2-ELECTRONIC
3-VISUAL
4-D. R.

REMARKS

00-04 UNDERWAY IN DIAMOND FORMATION ENROUTE AZORE ISLANDS IN ACCORDANCE WITH COMINDIV 85 OPORD 2-66 IN COMPANY WITH MINDIV 85. FORMATION COURSE AND AXIS 060. FORMATION SPEED 11 KTS. GUIDE IS USS NOTABLE (MSO 460) IN STATION 1 BEARING 060, RANGE 1500 YDS. USS RIVAL (MSO-468) IN STATION 2, USS SALUTE (MSO 470) IN STATION 3, THIS SHIP IN STATION 4. SHIP IN CONDITION WATCH II WITH MATERIAL CONDITION YOKE SET. OTC IS COMINDIV 85 EMBARKED ON THIS SHIP. 0001 SET ALL CLOCKS AHEAD ONE HOUR TO CONFORM TO +2 OSCAR TIME ZONE.

B S Willard, LTJG, USNR

04-08 Underway as before. 0750 Mustered the crew at quarters. Absentees: None.

Marvin S. Bass, Jr.
Ensign, USNR

08-12 UNDERWAY AS BEFORE.

R W Sendelbach
ENSIGN, USNR

APPROVED: D B Bolte JR CDR U. S. N. COMMANDING

EXAMINED: R J Osterman, LT. U. S. N. NAVIGATOR

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NAVPERS-719 (REV. 10-64) **DECK LOG - REMARKS SHEET**

USS ABILITY (MSO519) DATE FRIDAY, 11 FEB. 1966
(Day) (Date) (Month)

REMARKS-CONTINUED

12-16 UNDERWAY AS BEFORE. 1201 C/C 056° T. 1255 EXERCISED CREW AT GENERAL QUARTERS. 1315 SECURED FROM GENERAL QUARTERS.

J B Clark Jr
LTJG USNR

16-18 UNDERWAY AS BEFORE.

R Ludendelbach
ENSIGN, USNR

18-20 UNDERWAY AS BEFORE.

B S Willard, LTJG, USNR

20-24 Underway as before. C/S 9 knots.

Marvin L. Bass, Jr.
Ensign, USNR

APPROVED: EXAMINED:

D B Botty LCDR U. S. N. COMMANDING R J Stutzman, LT. U. S. N. NAVIGATOR

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NAVPERS-719 (REV. 10-64)

DECK LOG - REMARKS SHEET

USS ABILITY (MSO 519) ZONE DESCRIPTION +2.0 DATE SATURDAY (Day) 12 (Date) FEB (Month) . 19 66

AT/PASSAGE FROM BERMUDA, B.W.I. TO AZORES

POSITION ZONE TIME		
0800		
L 34-15.0 N	BY	4
λ 32-17.5 W	BY	4

POSITION ZONE TIME		
1200		
L 34-35.0 N	BY	1
λ 31-31.0 W	BY	1

POSITION ZONE TIME		
2000		
L 35-12.0 N	BY	1
λ 30-02.5 W	BY	1

LEGEND: 1-CELESTIAL
2-ELECTRONIC
3-VISUAL
4-D. R.

REMARKS

00-04 STEAMING IN DIAMOND FORMATION ENROUTE AZORE, ISLANDS IN ACCORDANCE WITH COMINDIV 85 OP-ORDER 2-66 IN COMPANY WITH MINDIV 85. FORMATION COURSE AND AXIS 056°T, FORMATION SPEED HH 9 KNOTS. Ltr GUIDE IS USS NOTABLE (MSO 460) IN STATION 1 BEARING 056°T, RANGE 1500 YARDS. USS RIVAL (MSO 468) IN STATION 2, USS SALUTE (MSO 470) IN STATION 3, THIS SHIP IN STATION 4. SHIP IN CONDITION WATCH IV WITH MATERIAL CONDITION YOKE SET. OTC IS COMINDIV 85 EMBARKED IN THIS SHIP.

D L Clark
LTJG USNR.

04-08 UNDERWAY AS BEFORE. 0745 MUSTERED THE CREW AT QUARTERS. ABSENTEES: NONE.

B S Cullaney, LTJG, USNR

08-12 UNDERWAY AS BEFORE.

R W Sendelbach

APPROVED:

W B Bottley Jr CDR U. S. N. COMMANDING

EXAMINED:

R J Osterman, Lt. U. S. N. NAVIGATOR

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NAVPERS-719 (REV. 10-64) DECK LOG - REMARKS SHEET

USS ABILITY (MSO 519) DATE SAT., 12 FEB. 1966
(Day) (Date) (Month)

REMARKS-CONTINUED

B 12-16 Underway as before.

Marvin S. Bass Jr
Ensign, USNR

S 16-18 UNDERWAY AS BEFORE

RW Sendelbach
ENSIGN, USNR

18-20 UNDERWAY AS BEFORE. 1856 SIGHTED EARTH SATELLITE ON COURSE 090°T.

JB Allen Jr
LTJG USNR.

20-24 UNDERWAY AS BEFORE. 2027 C/C AND FORMATION AXIS TO 054°.

BSWilliams, LTJG, USNR

APPROVED: EXAMINED:

DE Potter LCDR U. S. N. COMMANDING RJ Patterman, LT. U. S. N. NAVIGATOR

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NAVPERS-719 (REV. 10-64) **DECK LOG - REMARKS SHEET**

USS ABILITY (MSO 519) ZONE DESCRIPTION +20 DATE SUNDAY, 13 FEB (Day) (Date) (Month) 19 66

AT/PASSAGE FROM BERMUDA, BWI TO AZORES

POSITION	ZONE	TIME
0800		
L 36-16.3 N	BY	4
λ 28-14.5 W	BY	4

POSITION	ZONE	TIME
1200		
L 36-47.8 N	BY	1
λ 27-27.2 W	BY	1

POSITION	ZONE	TIME
2000		
L 37-30.2 N	BY	4
λ 26-16.9 W	BY	4

LEGEND: 1-CELESTIAL
2-ELECTRONIC
3-VISUAL
4-D. R.

REMARKS

B 00-04 Steaming in a diamond formation in company with MINDIV 85, enroute from Bermuda, BWI to Azores, in accordance with COMINDIV 85 OPORD 2-66. Formation course and axis 054°, speed 9 knots. USS Notable (MSO 460) in guide in station 1. USS Rival (MSO 468) in station 2. USS Salute (MSO 470) in station three. USS Ability in station 4. Guide bears 054° at range of 1500 yards. Ship is in condition Watch Tom, with material condition Yoke set. OTC is COMINDIV 85, embarked in this ship.

Marvin S. Bass, Jr.
Ensign, USNR

04-08 UNDERWAY AS BEFORE. 0745 MUSTERED CREW ON STATION. ABSENTEES: NONE.

LTJG USNR.

S 08-12 UNDERWAY AS BEFORE.

RWSendelbach
ENSIGN, USNR

APPROVED: JB Battey CCDR U. S. N. COMMANDING

EXAMINED: RJ Patterman, LT. U. S. N. NAVIGATOR

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NAVPERS-719 (REV. 10-64) DECK LOG - REMARKS SHEET

USS ABILITY (MSO519) DATE SUNDAY 13 FEB 1966
(Day) (Date) (Month)

REMARKS-CONTINUED

12-16 UNDERWAY AS BEFORE.
B S Willard, LTJG, USNR

S 16-18 UNDERWAY AS BEFORE.
R W Sendelbach
ENSIGN, USNR

B 18-20 Underway as before. 1803 USS Notable (MSO 460) had steering casualty. c/s 4 knots. 1805 c/c 010°. 1806 Steering casualty on Notable corrected. Maneuvering to regain station four. 1817 c/c 054°. c/s 8 knots. 1820 c/s 9 knots. c/c 060°. 1840 Sighted loom of Pt. Ferraria Light bearing 045° at 40 miles.
Marvin L. Barnes
Ensign, USNR

C 20-24 UNDERWAY AS BEFORE. 2020 SIGHTED PTA. FERRARIA LIGHT BEARING 038°T, RANGE 28 MILES. 2058 C/C 060°T. 2152 SIGHTED PONTA DELGADA LIGHT BEARING 058°T, RANGE. 16 MILES. 2259 C/C 240°T C/S 6 KNOTS. ABILITY IS FORMATION GUIDE IN STATION ONE, SALUTE IN STATION TWO, RIVAL IN STATION THREE, AND NOTABLE IN STATION FOUR.
CDG USN

APPROVED: EXAMINED:

T G Bottorff LCDR U. S. N. COMMANDING R J Osterman, LT. U. S. N. NAVIGATOR

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NAVPERS-719 (REV. 10-64) **DECK LOG - REMARKS SHEET**

USS ABILITY (MSO519) ZONE DESCRIPTION +20 DATE MONDAY (Day) 14 (Date) FEB (Month). 19 66

AT/PASSAGE FROM BERMUDA, BWI TO AZORES

POSITION	ZONE	TIME
0800		
L _____	BY	
λ _____	BY	

POSITION	ZONE	TIME
1200		
L _____	BY	
λ _____	BY	

POSITION	ZONE	TIME
2000		
L _____	BY	
λ _____	BY	

LEGEND: 1-CELESTIAL
2-ELECTRONIC
3-VISUAL
4-D. R.

REMARKS

00-04 STEAMING IN A DIAMOND FORMATION IN COMPANY WITH MINDIV 85 FROM BERMUDA, BWI, TO THE AZORES IN ACCORDANCE WITH COMINDIV 85 OPORD 2-66. THIS SHIP IS GUIDE IN STATION 4. FORMATION COURSE 240, FORMATION AXIS 060. USS NOTABLE (MSO 460) IN STATION 1, USS RIVAL (MSO 468) IN STATION 2, USS SALUTE (MSO 470) IN STATION 3. FORMATION SPEED 6 KTS. SHIP IN CONDITION WATCH II WITH MATERIAL CONDITION YOKE SET. OTC IS COMINDIV 85 EMBARKED ON THIS SHIP. 0135 C/S 5 KTS. 0146. CHANGED FORMATION COURSE TO 270°. 0148 CHANGED FORMATION COURSE 290°. 0206 C/C 240°. 0352 C/C 060° GUIDE IS USS NOTABLE (MSO 460) IN STATION 1.

B S Williams, LTJG, USNR

04-08 Underway as before. 0401 c/s 8 knots. c/c 090°. USS Rival (mso 468) had steering casualty. 0402 c/s 5 knots. c/c 055°. 0404 c/c 090°. c/c 055°. 0405 c/c 057°. 0406 c/c 040°. 0406 4s6 knots. Steering casualty restored on Rival. Steering various courses at various speeds to return to station 4. Base course 060°; formation speed 5 knots. 0647 Changed base course to 070°. 0716 Changed base course to 075°. 0750 Mustered the crew at quarters. Absentees: None. 0757 Changed base course to 065°. 0759 Changed base course 060°. c/s 10 knots.

Marvin S. Bows, Jr.
Ensign, USNR

08-12 UNDERWAY AS BEFORE 0801 C/S 11 KNOTS. 0806 C/C 050°T. ~~08~~ 0808 C/C 045°T. 0811 C/C 325°T STATIONED SPECIAL SEA DETAIL. 0812 C/S 9 KNOTS. 0812 C/C 285°T 0813 C/C 270°T. 0814 C/S 5 KNOTS. 0815 C/C 260°T 0817 C/S 3KNOTS. 0819 CAPTAIN HAS THE CONN. 0820 PILOT SERPA CAME ABOARD. 0822 C/C 255°T C/S 3KNOTS. 0828 MANEUVERING ON VARIOUS COURSES AT VARIOUS SPEEDS TO APPROACH THE PIER. 0829 MOORED PORT SIDE TO FUELING PIER, PONTA DELGADA, SAN MIGUEL, AZORES. 0836 SECURED SEA DETAIL. PILOT LEFT THE SHIP. 0919 USS NOTABLE (MSO 460) MOORED OUTBOARD TO STARBOARD. 0932 TWO REPRESENTATIVES FROM THE ~~AME~~ U.S. COUNSEL CAME ABOARD. 1003 TWO REPRESENTITATIVES FROM U.S. COUNSEL LEFT THE SHIP.

J S Williams, LTJG USNR.

APPROVED: D B Bottorff LCDR U. S. N. COMMANDING

EXAMINED: R J Waterman, LT. U. S. N. NAVIGATOR

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NAVPERS-719 (REV. 10-64) DECK LOG - REMARKS SHEET

USS ABILITY (MSO 519) DATE MONDAY, 14 FEB. 1966
(Day) (Date) (Month)

REMARKS-CONTINUED

12-16 MOORED AS BEFORE. 1310 COMMENCED FUELING FROM MOHLE SAALAZAR, PONTA DELGADA, SAN ~~MA~~ MIGUEL, AZORES, DRAFT FORWARD 10'3", AFT 11'3". 1500 FUELING COMPLETED, DRAFT FORWARD 10'6", AFT 11'5".

J S Clark Jr
LTJG USNR.

16-20 MOORED AS BEFORE.

J S Clark Jr
LTJG USNR

20-24 MOORED AS BEFORE.

J S Clark Jr
LTJG USNR.

APPROVED: EXAMINED:

R B Cotty Jr LCDR U. S. N. COMMANDING R/O Stinman, LT U. S. N. NAVIGATOR

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NAVPERS-719 (REV. 10-64) **DECK LOG - REMARKS SHEET**

USS ABILITY (MSO 519) ZONE DESCRIPTION +2O DATE TUESDAY, 15 FEB. 1966
(Day) (Date) (Month)

AT/~~PASSAGE FROM~~ PONTA DELGADA, AZORES TO

POSITION	ZONE	TIME
0800		
L		BY
λ		BY

POSITION	ZONE	TIME
1200		
L		BY
λ		BY

POSITION	ZONE	TIME
2000		
L 37-34.2N		BY 2
λ 23-54.1W		BY 2

LEGEND: 1-CELESTIAL
2-ELECTRONIC
3-VISUAL
4-D. R.

REMARKS

00-04 MOORED IN A NEST OF TWO SHIPS PORT SIDE TO MOHLE SAALAZAR, PONTA DELGADA, SAN MIGUEL, AZORES, WITH STANDARD MOORING LINES DOUBLED AND USS NOTABLE (MSO 460) OUTBOARD TO STARBOARD. SHIPS PRESENT INCLUDE VARIOUS MERCHANT AND WAR SHIPS. SHIP IS IN CONDITION WATCH V WITH MATERIAL CONDITION YOKE SET. SOPA IS W.E. FOWLER, CDR, USN, COMINOIV EIGHT FIVE.

J.S. Clark Jr.
LTJG USNR.

04-08 MOORED AS BEFORE. 0630 SET MATERIAL CONDITION XRAY 0750 MUSTERED CREW AT QUARTERS. ABSENTEES: NONE.

J.S. Clark Jr.
LTJG USNR

08-12 MOORED AS BEFORE. 0815 COMMENCED PREPARATIONS FOR GETTING UNDERWAY. DRAFT FORWARD 10'6" AFT 11'2" SET MATERIAL CONDITION YOKE. 0900 SET THE SPECIAL SEA DETAIL. 0915 COMPLETED PREPARATIONS FOR GETTING UNDERWAY. CAPTAIN HAS THE CONN, OOD AND NAVIGATOR ON THE BRIDGE. 0916 USS NOTABLE (MSO 460) UNDERWAY FROM OUR STARBOARD SIDE. NOTABLE, IN GETTING UNDERWAY, CARRIED AWAY ABOUT 65 FEET OF ~~THE~~ THIS SHIPS STARBOARD LIFELINES AND STANCHIONS AND TWO LIFERAFT SUPPORT STANCHIONS AT FRAMES 42-46 AND 64-68. DAMAGE OCCURED BETWEEN FRAMES 42-82. ALSO DAMAGED WAS THE BT WINCH AND BOOM, AND THE STARBOARD Ø FLOAT AND DAVIT. NO PERSONNEL CASUALTIES. 0920 SECURED THE SPECIAL SEA DETAIL. SET THE REGULAR INPORT WATCH WHILE MAKING TEMPORARY REPAIRS TO DAMAGED AREA. 0924 NOTABLE MOORED PORTSIDE TO OUR STARBOARD SIDE. 1152 NOTABLE UNDERWAY FROM OUR STARBOARD SIDE. 1155. COMMENCED PREPARATIONS FOR GETTING UNDERWAY.

B.W. Williams, LTJG, USNR

APPROVED: EXAMINED:

J.B. Batty LCDR U. S. N. COMMANDING R.J. Ostermann, LT. U. S. N. NAVIGATOR

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NAVPERS-719 (REV. 10-64) DECK LOG - REMARKS SHEET

USS ABILITY (MSO 519) DATE TUESDAY, 15 FEB. 1966
(Day) (Date) (Month)

REMARKS-CONTINUED

B 12-16 MOORED AS BEFORE. 1215 STATIONED THE SPECIAL SEA DETAIL. 1226 COMPLETED ALL PREPARATIONS FOR GETTING UNDERWAY. DRAFT FORWARD 10 FT. 6 IN., AFT 11 FT. 2 IN. 1247 UNDERWAY FOR Rota, Spain, in compliance with COMMDIV 85 operation order 2-66. Captain at the conn, Navigator on the bridge. 1256 COD was given the conn. 1256 Steering various courses at various speeds standing out of Ponta Delgada harbor. 1258 Passed sea wall to starboard. 1300 Secured the special sea and anchor detail. 1310 c/s 12 knots. 1322 c/c 095°. 1413 Went to General Quarters for fire in engine room, compartment 3-58-0-E. 1415 Set material condition Zebra. Main Control reported that no fire or damage resulted from loose bolt in turbo-charger of port main engine. 1426 Set material condition Yoke. 1427 Secured from General Quarters. 1438 c/c 090°. 1554 Steering various courses at various speeds to proceed to station 4 in diamond formation.

Marvin L. Bang Jr.
Ensign, USNR

16-18 UNDERWAY AS BEFORE.

J B Clark Jr
LTJG USNR

18-20 UNDERWAY AS BEFORE.

B W Willard, LTJG, USNR

S 20-24 UNDERWAY AS BEFORE.

R W Sendelbach
ENS. USNR

APPROVED: J B Battley LCDR U. S. N. COMMANDING

EXAMINED: R J Osterman, Lt. U. S. N. NAVIGATOR

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NAVPERS-719 (REV. 10-64)

DECK LOG - REMARKS SHEET

USS ABILITY (MSO 519) ZONE DESCRIPTION +1 N DATE WEDNESSDAY, 16 FEB. 19 66
(Day) (Date) (Month)

AT/PASSAGE FROM PONTA DELGADA, AZORES TO ROTA, SPAIN

POSITION	ZONE	TIME
0800		
L 37-23.9 N	BY	4
λ 20-49.0 W	BY	4

POSITION	ZONE	TIME
1200		
L 37-25.1 N	BY	1
λ 20-08.0 W	BY	1

POSITION	ZONE	TIME
2000		
L 37-18.1 N	BY	4
λ 18-09.0 W	BY	4

LEGEND: 1-CELESTIAL
2-ELECTRONIC
3-VISUAL
4-D. R.

REMARKS

00-04 Underway in diamond formation enroute Rota, Spain, in accordance with COMINDIV 85 OPORD 2-66, in company with MINDIV 85. Formation course and axis 094°. Formation speed 12 knots. Guide is USS Salute (MSO 470) in station 1. USS Notable (MSO 460) in station 2. USS Rival (MSO 468) in station 3. This ships in station 4 with guide bearing 094° at range of 1500 yards. Ships is in condition watch four, with material condition Yoke set. OTC is COMINDIV 85 embarked on this ships. 0001 Set all clocks ahead one hour to conform to 1 November time zone.

Marvin S. Ramo, Jr.
Ensign, USNR

04-08 UNDERWAY AS BEFORE. 0750 MUSTERED CREW AT QUARTERS. ABSENTEES: NONE.

J S Clark
LTJG USNR

08-12 UNDERWAY AS BEFORE. 0802 WENT TO GENERAL QUARTERS. SET MATERIAL CONDITION ZEBRA. 0840 SET MATERIAL CONDITION YOKE. 0928 SECURED FROM GENERAL QUARTERS.

R W Sendelbach
ENS. USNR

APPROVED: D B Potter LCDR U. S. N. COMMANDING

EXAMINED: R J Osterman, LT. U. S. N. NAVIGATOR

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REMARKS-CONTINUED

12-16 UNDERWAY AS BEFORE. 1337 C/S 9KTS. 1339 C/S 11 KTS. 1422 C/S 12 KTS.

B S Wilder, LTJG, USNR

16-18 Underway as before.

Marvin S. Bass, Jr.
Ensign, USNR

18-20 UNDERWAY AS BEFORE. 1809 VISIBILITY DECREASED TO 3000 YARDS DUE TO RAIN SQUALL. 1845 VISIBILITY INCREASED TO EIGHT MILES.

J S Clark Jr
LTJG USNR.

20-24 UNDERWAY AS BEFORE.

RW Sendelbach
ENS. USNR

APPROVED:

D B Bottley LCDR U. S. N. COMMANDING

EXAMINED:

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AT/PASSAGE FROM AZORES TO ROTA, SPAIN

POSITION	ZONE	TIME
0800		
L 37-06.5 N	BY	4
λ 15-09.9 W	BY	4

POSITION	ZONE	TIME
1200		
L 37-03.2 N	BY	4
λ 14-12.3 W	BY	4

POSITION	ZONE	TIME
2000		
L 36-56.5 N	BY	4
λ 12-18.1 W	BY	4

LEGEND: 1-CELESTIAL
2-ELECTRONIC
3-VISUAL
4-D. R.

REMARKS

00-04 UNDERWAY IN COMPANY WITH MINDIV 85 IN DIAMOND FORMATION ENROUTE ROTA, SPAIN FROM THE AZORES ISLANDS IN ACCORDANCE WITH COMINDIV 85 OPORD 2-66. FORMATION COURSE AND AXIS IS 094. FORMATION SPEED 12 KTS. GUIDE IS USS SALUTE (MSO 470) IN STATION 1 BEARING 094 RANGE 1500 YARDS FROM THIS SHIP. USS NOTABLE (MSO 460) IN STATION 2, USS RIVAL (MSO 468) IN STATION 3, THIS SHIP IN STATION 4. SHIP IN CONDITION WATCH IV WITH MATERIAL CONDITION YOKE SET. OTC IS COMINDIV 85 EMBARKED ON THIS SHIP.

B S Will, LTJG, USNR

04-08 Underway as before. 0750 Mustered the crew at quarters. Absentees: None.

Marvin S Bass, Jr.
Ensign, USNR

08-12 UNDERWAY AS BEFORE. 0803 WENT TO GENERAL QUARTERS. SET MATERIAL CONDITION ZEBRA. 0826 SET MATERIAL CONDITION YOKE. 0827 SECURED FROM GENERAL QUARTERS.

R W Sendelbach
ENS USNR

APPROVED: D B Pettey LCDR U. S. N. COMMANDING

EXAMINED: R J Osterman, Lt. U. S. N. NAVIGATOR

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USS ABILITY (MSO 519) DATE THURSDAY 17 FEB. 1966
(Day) (Date) (Month)

REMARKS-CONTINUED

12-16 UNDERWAY AS BEFORE. 1217 VISIBILITY REDUCED TO 2000 YARDS. TURNED ON NAVIGATIONAL LIGHTS. 1248 VISIBILITY INCREASED TO 8 MILES. 1506 C/S 11 KNOTS.

LTJG USNR

16-18 UNDERWAY AS BEFORE.

BS Will..., LTJG, USNR

18-20 Underway as before.

Marvin S. Bass, Jr.
Ensign, USNR

20-24 UNDERWAY AS BEFORE.

RW Sendelbach, CRS, USNR

APPROVED: EXAMINED:

... LCDR U. S. N. COMMANDING R J Ostermann, LT. U. S. N. NAVIGATOR

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NAVPERS-719 (REV. 10-64) **DECK LOG - REMARKS SHEET**

USS ABILITY (MSO 519) ZONE DESCRIPTION ZULU DATE FRIDAY, 18 FEB. 1966
(Day) (Date) (Month)

~~AT~~/PASSAGE FROM AZORES TO ROTA, SPAIN

POSITION ZONE TIME			POSITION ZONE TIME			POSITION ZONE TIME		
0800			1200			2000		
L 36-48.9 N	BY	4	L 36-53.0 N	BY	2	L 36-41.6 N	BY	2
λ 09-59.0 W	BY	4	λ 08-49.8 W	BY	2	λ 07-15.2 W	BY	2

LEGEND: 1-CELESTIAL
2-ELECTRONIC
3-VISUAL
4-D. R.

REMARKS

00-04 UNDERWAY IN COMPANY WITH MINDIV 85 IN DIAMOND FORMATION ENROUTE ROTA, SPAIN FROM THE AZORES IN ACCORDANCE WITH COMINDIV 85 OPORD 2-66. FORMATION COURSE AND AXIS 094°T, FORMATION SPEED 11 KNOTS. GUIDE IS USS SALUTE (MSO 470) IN STATION ONE BEARING 094°T, RANGE 1500 YARDS FROM THIS SHIP. USS NOTABLE (MSO 460) IN STATION TWO, USS RIVAL (MSO 468) IN STATION THREE, AND THIS SHIP IN STATION FOUR. SHIP IS IN CONDITION WATCH IV WITH MATERIAL CONDITION YOKE SET. OTC IS W.E. FOWLER, CDR, USN, COMINDIV 85 EMBARKED IN THIS VESSEL. 0001 SET ALL SHIP'S CLOCKS AHEAD ONE HOUR TO CONFORM TO ZULU TIME ZONE.

J.B. Clark Jr
LTJG USNR

04-08 UNDERWAY AS BEFORE. 0750 MUSTERED THE CREW AT QUARTERS. ABSENTEES: NONE

B.S.W. Mard, LTJG, USNR

08-12 UNDERWAY AS BEFORE. 1028 C/C TO 100. 1103 C/S TO 10KTS. 1142 SHIP OPERATING INDEPENDENTLY.

RW Sendelbach
ENS. USNR

APPROVED: EXAMINED:

J B Potter J-CDR U. S. N. COMMANDING R D Patterson, LT U. S. N. NAVIGATOR

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DECK LOG - REMARKS SHEET

USS ABILITY (MSO519) ZONE DESCRIPTION -1A DATE SATURDAY 19 FEB. 1966
(Day) (Date) (Month)

~~AT~~/PASSAGE FROM AZORES TO ROTA, SPAIN

POSITION	ZONE	TIME
0800		
L		BY
λ		BY

POSITION	ZONE	TIME
1200		
L		BY
λ		BY

POSITION	ZONE	TIME
2000		
L		BY
λ		BY

LEGEND: 1-CELESTIAL
2-ELECTRONIC
3-VISUAL
4-D. R.

REMARKS

00-04 UNDERWAY IN COMPANY WITH MINDIV 85 IN DIAMOND FORMATION ENROUTE ROTA, SPAIN FROM THE AZORES IN ACCORDANCE WITH COMINDIV 85 OPORD 2-66. FORMATION COURSE AND AXIS IS 100, FORMATION SPEED 8 KTS. GUIDE IS THIS SHIP IN STATION 1. USS NOTABLE (MSO 460) IN STATION 2, USS RIVAL (MSO 468) IN STATION 3, USS SALUTE (MSO 470) IN STATION 4. SHIP IN CONDITION WATCH IV WITH MATERIAL CONDITION YOKE SET. OTC IS COMINDIV 85 EMBARKED ON THIS SHIP. 0000 SET ALL CLOCKS AHEAD ONE HOUR TO CONFORM TO -1A TIME ZONE. 0100 CHANGED FORMATION COURSE TO 270. SALUTE IS GUIDE IN STATION 1. RIVAL IN STATION 2, NOTABLE IN STATION 3, THIS SHIP IN STATION 4. FORMATION AXIS 270. GUIDE BEARS 270, RANGE 1500 YARDS.

B S Williams, LTJG, USNR

04-08 UNDERWAY AS BEFORE. 0420 ROTA AERO BEACON PASSED FROM VIEW BEARING 086°T, RANGE 26 MILES. 0500 C/C 090°T. GUIDE SHIFTED FROM USS SALUTE TO THIS SHIP IN STATION ONE, USS NOTABLE (MSO 460) IN STATION TWO, USS RIVAL (MSO 468) IN STATION THREE, AND USS SALUTE (MSO 470) IN STATION FOUR. FORMATION AXIS 090°T. C/S 8 KNOTS. BASE SPEED 8 KNOTS. ~~055~~ 0522 SIGHTED CHIPIONA LIGHT BEARING 067°T, RANGE 23 MILES 0539 SIGHTED ROTA AERO BEACON BEARING 084°T, RANGE 22 MILES. 0624 SIGHTED PTA DE. S. ~~SA~~ SEBASTIAN LIGHT BEARING 102°T, RANGE 19.5 MILES. 0738 C/C 095°T 0750 MUSTERED CREW AT QUARTERS. ABSENTEES: NONE. BSW

B S Williams
LTJG USNR.

08-12 UNDERWAY AS BEFORE. 0800 COMMENCED PREPARATIONS FOR ENTERING PORT. 0805 FORMED COLUMN FORMATION. THIS SHIP IS GUIDE IN STATION 1. USS NOTABLE (MSO 460) IN STATION 2, USS SALUTE (MSO 470) IN STATION 3, USS RIVAL (MSO 468) IN STATION 4. DISTANCE 500 YARDS. BASE COURSE AND FORMATION AXIS 095. FORMATION SPEED 8 KTS. 0812 C/S 10 KTS. 0823 DETACHED ALL SHIPS TO PROCEED INDEPENDENTLY INTO PORT. SET SPECIAL SEA DETAIL. MANEUVERING AT VARIOUS COURSES AND SPEEDS WHILE STANDING INTO THE ~~ROTA~~ HARBOR. 0840 NOTABLE, SALUTE, AND RIVAL DETACHED ~~FROM FORM~~ TO SEARCH FOR MAN FROM NOTABLE PRESUMED TO HAVE FALLEN OVERBOARD. 0851 RECEIVED PILOT BOAT AND TOOK BSW BJO

APPROVED: EXAMINED:

D B Botty LCDR U. S. N. COMMANDING R J Ostermann LT U. S. N. NAVIGATOR

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REMARKS-CONTINUED

ON PILOT. 0900 MOORED STARBOARD SIDE TO PIER TWO US NAVAL STATION, ROTA, SPAIN WITH STANDARD MOORING LINES DOUBLED. 0904 SECURED THE SPECIAL SEA DETAIL. SET THE REGULAR INPORT WATCH. 1025 COMMENCED TAKING ON FUEL FROM PIER. DRAFT FORWARD 10'8" AFT 11'1". 1104 SECURED FUELING HAVING TAKEN ON 8000 GALLONS FUELOIL. DRAFT FORWARD 10'9" AFT 11'2".

D S Willard, LTJG, USNR

12-24 MOORED AS BEFORE 1820 USS NOTABLE (MSO 460) MOORED OUTBOARD THIS SHIP TO PORT.

D S Willard, LTJG, USNR

APPROVED: EXAMINED:

T B Bottom, Jr CDR U. S. N. COMMANDING R J Osterman, LT. U. S. N. NAVIGATOR

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NAVPERS-719 (REV. 10-64) **DECK LOG - REMARKS SHEET**

USS ABILITY (MSO519) ZONE DESCRIPTION -1A DATE SUNDAY, 20 FEB. 19 66
(Day) (Date) (Month)

AT/PASSAGE FROM _____ TO _____

POSITION ZONE TIME	POSITION ZONE TIME	POSITION ZONE TIME	LEGEND: 1-CELESTIAL
0800	1200	2000	2-ELECTRONIC
L _____ BY _____	L 36-21.9 N BY 2	L 36-09.8 N BY 2	3-VISUAL
λ _____ BY _____	λ 06-19.3 W BY 2	λ 04-29.0 W BY 2	4-D. R.

REMARKS

00-08 MOORED STARBOARD SIDE TO PIER TWO, U.S. NAVAL STATION, ROTA, SPAIN WITH STANDARD MOORING LINES DOUBLED USS NOTABLE (MSO 460) MOORED OUTBOARD THIS SHIP TO PORT. SHIP IN CONDITION OF READINESS FIVE WITH MATERIAL CONDITION YOKE SET. OTHER SHIPS PRESENT INCLUDE MINDIV 85 AND VARIOUS UNITS OF THE U.S. ATLANTIC FLEET. SOPA IS COMSUBRON 6. 0745 MUSTERED THE CREW AT QUARTERS, ABSENTEES: NONE.

D S Willard, LTJG, USNR

08-12 MOORED AS BEFORE 0800 COMMENCED PREPARATIONS FOR GETTING UNDERWAY. 0835 STATIONED SEA DETAIL. 0837 SECURED SEA DETAIL. 0925 STATIONED SEA DETAIL. 0940 COMPLETED PREPARATIONS FOR GETTING UNDERWAY. 0943 USS NOTABLE (MSO 460) UNDERWAY FROM ALONGSIDE TO PORT. 0952 UNDERWAY ENROUTE TO PALOMARES, SPAIN, IN ACCORDANCE WITH COMINDIV 85 OP ORDER 2-66. CAPTAIN AND NAVIGATOR ~~ARE~~ ARE ON THE BRIDGE. CAPTAIN HAS THE CONN. 0953 ~~AR~~ MANEUVERING ON VARIOUS COURSES AT VARIOUS SPEEDS TO CLEAR BERTH. 0959 C/C 145°T 1001 C/C 155°T C/S 8 KNOTS. 1005 C/C 190°T C/S 6 KNOTS 1007 C/S 9.5 KNOTS. 1008 SECURED SEA DETAIL. 1010 C/C 220°T 1023 C/C 215°T 1030 C/C 205°T 1112 C/C 145°T 1114 C/C 12 KNOTS 1134 C/S 12.5 KNOTS.

[signature]
CTJG USNR.

APPROVED: EXAMINED:

[signature] LCDR U. S. N. COMMANDING [signature] LT. U. S. N. NAVIGATOR

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(Day) (Date) (Month)

REMARKS-CONTINUED

12-16 Underway as before. 1258 c/s 5.5 knots. 1320 c/c 140°. 1321 c/c 130°. 1325 c/s 12 knots. 1326 c/s 12.3 knots. 1332 c/c 114°. 1338 c/s 11.5 knots. 1407 c/c 125°. 1409 c/s 12.3 knots. 1419 c/c 114°. c/s 11.5 knots. 1434 c/s 9 knots. 1441 c/c 110°. 1505 c/c 114°. 1539 c/c 092°. 1549 Visibility decreased to 3,000 yards due to heavy rain. Turned on running lights.

Marvin S Bass, Jr.
Ensign, USNR

16-18 UNDERWAY AS BEFORE. 1614 C/C 076°. 1635 C/S 12 KTS C/C 077°.

BSWilliams, LTJG, USNR

18-20 UNDERWAY AS BEFORE.

LTJG USNR

20-24 UNDERWAY AS BEFORE. 2002 C/C TO 100. 2010 C/C TO 077. 2242 PASSED CABO SACRATIF LIGHT ABEAM TO PORT, BEARING 027, DISTANCE, 25 MILES.

RW. Sendelbach
ENS. USNR

APPROVED: EXAMINED:

JB Battle JR CDR U. S. N. COMMANDING R J Osterman, LT. U. S. N. NAVIGATOR

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DECK LOG - REMARKS SHEET

USS ABILITY (MSO 519) ZONE DESCRIPTION -1A DATE MONDAY (Day) 21 (Date) FEB (Month). 19 66

AT/PASSAGE FROM ROTA, SPAIN TO PALOMARES, SPAIN

POSITION ZONE TIME	POSITION ZONE TIME	POSITION ZONE TIME	LEGEND: 1-CELESTIAL
0800	1200	2000	2-ELECTRONIC
L 36-40.7 N BY 2	L ____ BY ____	L ____ BY ____	3-VISUAL
λ 01-48.3 W BY 2	λ ____ BY ____	λ ____ BY ____	4-D. R.

REMARKS

00-04 Steaming independently enroute to Palomares, Spain, in company with MINDIV 85, in accordance with COMINDIV 85 OPORD 2-66. Base course 077. Base speed 12 knots. Ship is in Condition Watch Four, with material condition yoke set. OTC is COMINDIV 85 embarked on this ship. 0115 Secured number one main engine due to overheating. 0125 C/S 8 knots. 0158 C/S 8.5 knots. 0307 C/C 107. 0309 C/C 077. 0336 C/S 9 knots. B

Marvin D. Bass, Jr.
Ensign, USNR

04-08 UNDERWAY AS BEFORE. 0438 C/C 068. 0445 C/C 066. 0459 C/C 068. 0530 SIGHTED CAVODE GATO LIGHT BEARING 035 RANGE 14 MILES. 0720 C/C 072. 0725 C/C 080. 0731 C/C 068. 0750 MUSTERED THE CREW AT QUARTERS. ABSENTEES: NONE.

BSWill-S, LTJG, USNR

RWS 08-12 UNDERWAY AS BEFORE. 0800 C/C TO ~~CC~~ 006. 0917 C/C TO 015. 0926 C/C TO 006. 0951 FORMED COLUMN FORMATION, GUIDE IS ABILITY IN STATION 1. USS SALUTE (MSO 470) IN STATION 2. USS RIVAL (MSO 468) IN STATION 3. USS NOTABLE (MSO 460) IN STATION 4. FORMATION COURSE AND AXIS 006, SPEED 8 KTS. STANDARD DISTANCE 500 YDS. 1025 NUMBER ONE MAIN ENGINE BACK ON THE LINE. 1032 C/S TO 10 KTS. 1117 C/C 320. 1119 STATIONED SPECIAL SEA DETAIL. CAPTAIN AND NAVIGATOR ON THE BRIDGE. 1132 C/C 245. 1135 C/C 300. 1140 SALUTE, RIVAL, AND NOTABLE DETACHED. ABILITY PROCEEDING INDEPENDENTLY TO ANCHORAGE. 1149 C/C 305. 1155 C/S 8 KTS. 1157 C/C 270. 1158 C/S 6 KTS.

RW Sendelbach
ENS, USNR

APPROVED: EXAMINED:

JGBattley LCDR U. S. N. COMMANDING R J Osterman, LT. U. S. N. NAVIGATOR

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REMARKS-CONTINUED

12-16 UNDERWAY AS BEFORE. 1201 C/C 245°T C/S 4 KNOTS. 1203 C/C 230°T 1205 MANEUVER ON VARIOUS COURSES AT VARIOUS SPEEDS TO MOOR ALONGSIDE USS CASCADE (AD 16). 1215 MOORED STARBOARD SIDE TO PORT SIDE OF USS CASCADE (AD16) 1230 SECURED SEA DETAIL. 1236 USS NOTABLE (MSO 460) MOORED OUTBOARD TO PORT.

LTJG USNR

16-20 MOORED AS BEFORE, 1655 WINDS INCREASED TO 25 KNOTS FROM THE SOUTHWEST, SEAS SOUTHWEST 8 FEET AND INCREASING, SHIP PITCHING MODERATELY. 1732 STATIONED SEA DETAIL, AND COMMENCED PREPARATIONS FOR GETTING UNDERWAY. 1750 COMPLETED PREPARATIONS FOR GETTING UNDERWAY. 1756 WINDS SOUTHWEST 15 KNOTS, DECREASING. SEAS 5 FEET AND DECREASING. 1836 SECURED SEA DETAIL.

LTJG USNR.

20-24 MOORED AS BEFORE.

LTJG USNR.

APPROVED: EXAMINED:

U. S. N. COMMANDING U. S. N. NAVIGATOR

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NAVPERS-719 (REV. 10-64)

DECK LOG - REMARKS SHEET

USS ABILITY (MSO 519) ZONE DESCRIPTION -1A DATE TUESDAY (Day) 22 (Date) FEB (Month). 1966

AT/~~PASSAGE FROM~~ PALOMARES, SPAIN ~~TO~~

POSITION	ZONE	TIME
0800		
L _____	BY _____	
λ _____	BY _____	

POSITION	ZONE	TIME
1200		
L _____	BY _____	
λ _____	BY _____	

POSITION	ZONE	TIME
2000		
L _____	BY _____	
λ _____	BY _____	

LEGEND: 1-CELESTIAL
2-ELECTRONIC
3-VISUAL
4-D. R.

REMARKS

00-04 MOORED STARBOARD SIDE TO USS CASCADE (AD 16) WITH STANDARD MOORING LINES DOUBLED AND FIVE INCH NYLON LINE DOUBLED FORWARD. USS NOTABLE (MSO 460) OUTBOARD TO PORT. USS CASCADE (AD 16) ANCHORED AT PALOMARES, SPAIN. SHIPS PRESENT INCLUDE VARIOUS UNITS OF TASK FORCE 65. SHIP IS IN CONDITION WATCH FIVE WITH MATERIAL CONDITION YOKE SET. SOPA IS W. S. GUEST, RADM, USN, COMMANDER TASK FORCE 65 EMBARKED IN USS BOSTON (CAG 1)

J B Clark Jr
LTJG USNR

04-08 MOORED AS BEFORE. 0750 MUSTERED CREW AT QUARTERS. ABSENTEES: NONE.

J B Clark Jr
LTJG USNR

APPROVED:

W B Rathjen CDR U. S. N. COMMANDING

EXAMINED:

R J Ostermann LT. U. S. N. NAVIGATOR

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USS ABILITY (MSO 519) DATE TUESDAY 22 FEB. 1966
(Day) (Date) (Month)

REMARKS-CONTINUED

08-24 MOORED AS BEFORE.

B S Williams, LTJG, USNR

APPROVED:

D B Bottles LCDR U. S. N. COMMANDING

EXAMINED:

R J Osterman, LT. U. S. N. NAVIGATOR

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DECK LOG - REMARKS SHEET

USS ABILITY (MSO 519) ZONE DESCRIPTION -1A DATE WEDNESDAY 23 FEB. 1966
(Day) (Date) (Month)

AT/~~PASSAGE~~ FROM PALOMARES SPAIN TO

POSITION	ZONE	TIME
0800		
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POSITION	ZONE	TIME
1200		
L		BY
λ		BY

POSITION	ZONE	TIME
2000		
L		BY
λ		BY

LEGEND: 1-CELESTIAL
2-ELECTRONIC
3-VISUAL
4-D. R.

REMARKS

00-04 MOORED STARBOARD SIDE TO THE USS CASCADE (AD16) IN A NEST OF THREE SHIPS WITH 6 LINES DOUBLED. USS NOTABLE (MSO 460) MOORED OUTBOARD THIS SHIP TO PORT. CASCADE AT ANCHOR OFF PALOMARES SPAIN IN 60 FEET OF WATER. RECEIVING MISCELLANEOUS SERVICES FROM CASCADE. SHIP IN CONDITION WATCH III WITH MATERIAL CONDITION YOKE SET. OTHER SHIPS PRESENT INCLUDE VARIOUS UNITS OF THE ATLANTIC FLEET. SOPA IS COMCRUDESFLOT 10 EMBARKED ON THE U.S.S. BOSTON (CAG 1)

B S Willard, LDO, USNR

04-08 MOORED AS BEFORE. 0600 COMMENCED PREPARATIONS FOR GETTING UNDERWAY. 0701 SET THE SPECIAL SEA AND ANCHOR DETAIL. DRAFT FORWARD 10'11" AFT 11'6". 0736 USS NOTABLE (MSO 460) UNDERWAY FROM OUR PORT SIDE. 0741 UNDERWAY FROM ALONGSIDE USS CASCADE (AD-16) IN ACCORDANCE WITH COMINDIV 85 OPORD 2-66. CAPTAIN HAS THE CONN, OOD AND NAVIGATOR ON THE BRIDGE. 0742 MANEUVERING AT VARIOUS COURSES AND SPEEDS TO CLEAR THE CASCADE AND TO PROCEED TO ANCHORAGE. 0750 MUSTERED THE CREW ON STATION. ABSENTEES: NONE.

B S Willard, LDO, USNR

B 08-12 Underway as before. Maneuvering at various courses and speeds to anchorage. 0802 Anchored off Palomares, Spain, in 60 feet of water, mud bottom, with 60 fathoms of chain to the starboard anchor on the following bearings: White building 218°, Tower number one 249°, Tower number two 263°, Tower number four 328°. Ships present include various ships attached to Task Force 65. SOPA is COMCRUDESFLOT 10 embarked on the USS Boston (CAG 1). 0810 Secured the special sea and anchor detail. 0930 Commenced preparations to receive USS Skill (MSO 471) alongside to port. 1000 Completed preparations for receiving Skill alongside. 1002 USS Skill moored starboard side to port side of this ship.

Marvin L. Bass, Jr.
Ensign, USNR

APPROVED: EXAMINED:

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REMARKS-CONTINUED

12-16 ANCHORED AS BEFORE. 1303 USS SKILL (MSO 471) GOT UNDERWAY FROM OUR PORT SIDE.

RW Sendelbach
ENS USNR

16-20 ANCHORED AS BEFORE. 1948 RECEIVED MOTORWHALEBOAT ALONGSIDE TO PORT.

BSWard, LTJG, USNR

20-24 Anchored as before. 2001 Motor whale boat departed from alongside to port.
Marvin L. Rees, Jr.
Ensign, USNR

APPROVED: EXAMINED:

DGBotts J LCDR U. S. N. COMMANDING R J Osterman, LT. U. S. N. NAVIGATOR

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DECK LOG - REMARKS SHEET

USS ABILITY (MSO 519) ZONE DESCRIPTION -1A DATE THURSDAY (Day) 24 (Date) FEB (Month). 19 66

AT/~~PASSAGE FROM~~ PALOMARES, SPAIN ~~TO~~

POSITION	ZONE	TIME
0800		
L _____	BY	
λ _____	BY	

POSITION	ZONE	TIME
1200		
L 37-13.8 N	BY	2
λ 01-43.3W	BY	2

POSITION	ZONE	TIME
2000		
L 37-05.9 N	BY	2
λ 01-28.6W	BY	2

LEGEND: 1-CELESTIAL
2-ELECTRONIC
3-VISUAL
4-D. R.

REMARKS

00-04 ANCHORED AT PALOMARES, SPAIN, IN 60 FEET OF WATER, GRAY MUD BOTTOM, WITH 60 FATHOMS OF CHAIN TO THE STARBOARD ANCHOR ON THE FOLLOWING ANCHOR BEARINGS: WHITE RANGE LIGHT 227°T, GREEN RANGE LIGHT 235°T, RED RANGE LIGHT 004°T, SHIP IN CONDITION OF READINESS IV, MATERIAL CONDITION YOKE SET. SHIPS PRESENT INCLUDE VARIOUS UNITS OF TASK FORCE 65. SOPA IS W.S. GUEST, RADM, USN, COMMANDER TASK FORCE 65 EMBARKED IN USS BOSTON (CAG 1).

J S Clark Jr
LTJG USNR

04-08 ANCHORED AS BEFORE. 0615 COMMENCED PREPARATIONS FOR GETTING UNDERWAY. 0725 SET THE SPECIAL SEA AND ANCHOR DETAIL. DRAFT FORWARD 10 FT. 11 IN., AFT 11 FT. 5 IN. 0740 COMPLETED PREPARATIONS FOR GETTING UNDERWAY. 0745 UNDERWAY FROM ANCHORAGE IN ACCORDANCE WITH COMINDIV 85 OPORD 2-66. CAPTAIN HAS THE CONN, OOD AND NAVIGATOR ON THE BRIDGE. 0749 SECURED THE SPECIAL SEA AND ANCHOR DETAIL. 0750 MANUEVERING AT VARIOUS COURSES AT VARIOUS SPEEDS TO CLEAR HARBOR, MUSTERED THE CREW AT QUARTERS. ABSENTEES: NONE.

RW Sendelbach
ENS. USNR

08-12 UNDERWAY AS BEFORE. MANEUVERING AT VARIOUS COURSES AND SPEEDS WHILE PASSING REFERENCE BOUY CLOSE ABOARD TO PORT. 0812 COMMENCED SONAR SEARCH IN ASSIGNED OP-AREA ON SEARCH COURSE LEGS OF 035° AND 215°. 1126 RECEIVED SMALL BOAT ALONGSIDE TO PORT. EMBARKED 3 TECH REPRESENTATIVES.

BS Ullom, LTJG, USNR

APPROVED: J B Colley LCDR U. S. N. COMMANDING

EXAMINED: R J Osterman, LT U. S. N. NAVIGATOR

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USS ABILITY (MSO 519) DATE THURSDAY 24 FEB 19 66
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REMARKS-CONTINUED

12-16 Underway as before. 1252 c/c 150°. c/s 6 knots. Enroute to USNS MIZAR to transfer underwater telephone. 1254 c/s 9.5 knots. 1257 c/s 11.5 knots. 1300 c/c 158°. 1312 Launched motor whale boat for transfer of underwater telephone. 1316 Motor whale boat alongside Mizar. 1320 Motor whale boat underway to return to ship. 1325 Recovered motor whale boat. 1328 Maneuvering at various courses and various speede returning to search area A-22. 1349 Launched motor whale boat to test underwater sound gear. 1530 Motor whale boat alongside. 1531 Recovered motor whale boat. 1555 Steering various courses at various speeds proceeding to Mizar for recovery of ALVIN. 1558 Motor whale boat launched and underway to put ALVIN in tow.

Marvin I. Bass, Jr.
Ensign, USNR

16-20 UNDERWAY AS BEFORE. 1707 MOTOR WHALE BOAT RECOVERED. 1710 c/s 6 KTS., c/c 110°. 1714 c/s 11.5 KTS. 1728 c/s 12 KTS. 1906 c/c 290°. 1908 c/c 285°.

RW Sendelbach
ENS. USNR

20-24 UNDERWAY AS BEFORE. 2024 c/c 290°T. 2041 c/s 8 KNOTS. 2045 c/s 11 KNOTS. 2120 c/s 8 KNOTS. 2123 c/s 1 KNOTS. 2124 c/c 340°T. 2129 ANCHORED PALOMARES, SPAIN, IN 52 FEET OF WATER, GRAY MUD BOTTOM WITH 45 FATHOMS OF CHAIN TO THE STARBOARD ANCHOR ON THE FOLLOWING BEARINGS: FLASHING WHITE LIGHT 223°T, FLASHING GREEN LIGHT 228°T, FIXED RED LIGHT 004°T. SHIPS PRESENT INCLUDE VARIOUS UNITS OF TASK FORCE 65. SOPA IS W. S. GUEST, RADM, USN, COMMANDER TASK FORCE 65 EMBARKED IN USS BOSTON (CAG 1).

LDG USNR.

APPROVED: EXAMINED:

[signature] CDR U. S. N. COMMANDING [signature], LT. U. S. N. NAVIGATOR

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USS ABILITY (MSO519) ZONE DESCRIPTION — 1A DATE FRIDAY (Day) 25 (Date) FEB (Month) 19 66

AT/PASSAGE FROM PALOMARES, SPAIN TO

POSITION	ZONE	TIME
0800		
L 37-11.0 N	BY	2
λ 01-41.4 W	BY	2

POSITION	ZONE	TIME
1200		
L 37-12.3 N	BY	2
λ 01-44.1 W	BY	2

POSITION	ZONE	TIME
2000		
L	BY	
λ	BY	

LEGEND: 1-CELESTIAL
2-ELECTRONIC
3-VISUAL
4-D. R.

REMARKS

00-04 ANCHORED OFF PALOMARES, SPAIN IN 52 FEET OF WATER, MUD BOTTOM, WITH 45 FATHOMS OF CHAIN TO THE STARBOARD ANCHOR. ON THE FOLLOWING ANCHOR BEARINGS: FLASHING WHITE LIGHT 223°, FLASHING GREEN LIGHT 228° FIXED RED LIGHT 002°. SHIP IN CONDITION WATCH IV WITH MATERIAL CONDITION YOKE SET. SHIPS PRESENT INCLUDE VARIOUS UNITS OF THE U.S. ATLANTIC FLEET. SOPA IS CCMCRUDESFLOT 10 EMBARKED ABOARD THE USS BOSTON (CAG 1).

BSWillard, LTJG, USNR

04-08 Anchored as before. 0605 Commenced preparations for getting underway. 0614 Completed all preparations for getting underway. 0615 Stationed the special sea and anchor detail. Draft forward 10 feet 2 inches, aft 11 feet 6 inches. Captain and navigator on the bridge. 0644 Underway for assigned search area. Maneuvering to clear the anchorage. OOD has the conn. 0649 Steering various courses at various speeds to join USS Fort Snelling (LSD 30) and USNS Mizar to assist in Alvin operations. 0658 Secured the special sea and anchor detail. Set normal steaming watch. 0729 Motor whale boat fails to start due to cold weather. 0730 Steering various courses at various speeds to conduct sonar search of area Alfa-21. 0735. 0750 Mustered the crew at quarters. Abentees: None.

Marvin S. Davis, Jr.
Ensign, USNR

08-12 UNDERWAY AS BEFORE. 0818 C/C 330°T C/S 10 KNOTS 0828 C/C 320°T. 0831 MANEUVERING ON VARIOUS COURSES AT VARIOUS SPEEDS TO CONDUCT SONAR SEARCH OF OP-AREA ALFA-21. ON BASE COURSES 125°T AND 305°T, SPEED 1 KNOT. 0996 SMALL BOAT ALONGSIDE PORT QUARTER. 0953 SMALL BOAT UNDERWAY FROM PORT QUARTER.

LTJG USNR.

APPROVED: DO Potter J. CDR U. S. N. COMMANDING

EXAMINED: R/ Osterman, LT. U. S. N. NAVIGATOR

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USS _____ DATE FRIDAY 25 FEB. 1966
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REMARKS-CONTINUED

12-16 UNDERWAY AS BEFORE, CONTINUING SONAR SEARCH. 1308 C/C TO 150. 1320 C/C TO 240. 1323 COMMENCED PATROL OF INNER PERIMENTER OF SALV OPS AREA, COURSE LEGS OF 005 AND 185. 1543 C/C TO 300. 1544 PROCEEDING TO OP-AREA A-21.

R W Sendelbach
ENS. USNR

16-20 UNDERWAY AS BEFORE. 1608 MANEUVERING AT VARIOUS COURSES AND SPEEDS WHICE PROCEEDING TO ASSIST IN RE-COVERY OF UNDERWATER DEVICE. 1632 MOTOR WHALEBOAT IN THE WATER TO ASSIST IN RECOVERY OPS. 1744 MOTOR WHALE BOAT ABOARD. 1751 COMMENCED MANEUVERING AT VARIOUS COURSES AND SPEEDS TO PROCEED OUT TO VICINITY OF USS BOSTON(CAG 1) IN ORDER TO PICK UP MAIL. 1825 LAUNCHED MOTOR WHALEBOAT. 1907 MOTORWHALE BOAT RECOVERED AND BROUGHT ABOARD. SET COURSE 300° 4KTS. 1934 C/C 030. 1935 C/S 1KTS. COMMENCED SONAR SEARCH OF ASSIGNED OP-AREA OF LEGS OF 035 AND 215.

E S W [illegible], LTJG, USNR

20-24 Underway as before. 2025 Secured port main engine.

Marvin D. Bass, Jr.
Ensign, USNR

APPROVED: EXAMINED:

[illegible] CCDR U. S. N. COMMANDING R J Osterman, Lt. U. S. N. NAVIGATOR

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USS ABILITY (MSO519) ZONE DESCRIPTION -1A DATE SATURDAY (Day) 26 (Date) FEB (Month) . 19 66

AT/PASSAGE FROM PALOMARES, SPAIN TO _____

POSITION	ZONE	TIME
0800		
L 37-09.2 N	BY	2
λ 01-35.8 W	BY	2

POSITION	ZONE	TIME
1200		
L 37-12.9 N	BY	2
λ 01-43.2 W	BY	2

POSITION	ZONE	TIME
2000		
L _____	BY	_____
λ _____	BY	_____

LEGEND: 1-CELESTIAL
2-ELECTRONIC
3-VISUAL
4-D. R.

REMARKS

00-04 STEAMING INDEPENDENTLY CONDUCTING ~~UNDERWAY~~ UNDERWATER SEARCH OF OP-AREA ALFA 23 IN ACCORDANCE WITH CTF 65 NIGHT ORDERS FOR 25 FEBRUARY 1966 ON BASE COURSE 040°T AND 210°T, SPEED 1 KNOT. SHIP IN CONDITION WATCH IV WITH MATERIAL CONDITION YOKE SET. OTC IS CTF 65 EMBARKED IN USS BOSTON (CAG 1). JR

G B Clark Jr
LTJG USNR.

RS 04-08 UNDERWAY AS BEFORE, ~~CONTINUING SONAR SEARCH~~. 0710 MANEURING AT VARIOUS COURSES AND SPEEDS WHILE PASSING REFERENCE BUOY CLOSE ABEAM TO STARBOARD. 0714 C/C TO 181° PROCEEDING TO OP-AREA A-28. 0724 C/C 170°. 0729 C/C 130°. C/S 4 KTS. 0750 MUSTERED CREW AT QUARTERS. ABSENTEES: NONE. 0753 C/S 1 KT. S

RW Sendelbach, ENS, USNR

08-12 UNDERWAY AS BEFORE. MANEUVERING AT VARIOUS COURSES AND SPEEDS WHILE ASSISTING IN THE LAUNCH OF UNDERWAY SEARCH DEVICE FROM USS FORT SNELLING (LSD 30). 0855 SET COURSE 318 SPEED 8 WHILE PROCEEDING TO ASSIGNED OP-AREA. 0920 COMMENCED MANEUVERING AT VARIOUS COURSES AND SPEEDS WHILE IN OP AREA. COURSE LEGS ARE 035 AND 215.

B S Willard, LTJG, USNR

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USS ABILITY (MSO 519) DATE SATURDAY 26 FEB. 1966
(Day) (Date) (Month)

REMARKS-CONTINUED

12-16 Underway as before. Steering courses of 045° and 210° while conducting sonar search of operation area A-28. 1305 Commenced engineering casualty drills. 1415 Secured from engineering casualty drills. 1432 c/c 138°. c/s 6 knots. 1436 c/s 7 knots. 1441 c/c 130°. 1442 c/s 2 knots. 1446 c/s 1 knot. 1449 Motor whale boat in the water and underway to tow ALVIN to USS Fort Snelling (LSD 30). 1507 ALVIN on surface bearing 150 at range of 3000 yards. 1540 Motor whale boat departed Fort Snelling enroute to USNS Mizar. 1549 c/s 2 knots. c/c 200°. 1557 Motor whale boat returning to this ship. c/c 150°.

Marvin S. Bass, Jr.
Ensign, USNR

16-20 UNDERWAY AS BEFORE. 1601 MOTOR WHALE BOAT ALONG SIDE TO PORT. 1603 C/C 340°T. 1606 C/S 8 KNOTS. 1610 C/C 348°T. 1642 C/C 227°T C/S 12.5 KNOTS. 1703 STATIONED SPECIAL SEA DETAIL. COMMENCED PREPARATIONS TO MOOR PORT SIDE TO USS NESPELEN (AOG 55) FOR FUELING. 1706 C/C 245°T 1711 C/C 250°T. 1713 C/C 255°T C/S 6 KNOTS. 1723 C/C 206°T. COMPLETED PREPARATIONS FOR FUELING. 1724 MANEUVERING ON VARIOUS COURSES AT VARIOUS SPEEDS TO MAKE USS NESPELEN (AOG 55) 1732 MOORED PORT SIDE TO USS NESPELEN (AOG 55) 1743 SECURED SEA DETAIL. 1748 COMMENCED FUELING FROM USS NESPELEN (AOG 55), DRAFT FORWARD 10'6", AFT 11'5". 1815 FUELING COMPLETED, DRAFT FORWARD 10'6", AFT 11'5". 1827 USS RIVAL (MSO 468) MOORED OUTBOARD TO STARBOARD.

LTJG USNR.

20-24 MOORED AS BEFORE. STATIONED THE SPECIAL SEA AND ANCHOR DETAIL. COMMENCED PREPARATIONS FOR GETTING UNDERWAY. SET MATERIAL CONDITION YOKE. 2012 COMPLETED ALL PREPARATIONS FOR GETTING UNDERWAY. DRAFT: FORWARD 10 FT. 7 IN., AFT 11 FT. 1 IN. USS RIVAL (MSO 468) UNDERWAY FROM OUR STARBOARD SIDE. 2015 UNDERWAY FROM ALONGSIDE USS NESPELEN (AOG 55) IN ACCORDANCE WITH CTF 65 DAILY OP ORD. MANEUVERING TO CLEAR NESPELEN. CAPTAIN AT THE CONN, NAVIGATOR AND OOD ON THE BRIDGE. 2017 STEERING VARIOUS COURSES AT VARIOUS SPEEDS STANDING OUT OF HARBOR. 2038 SECURED SPECIAL SEA AND ANCHOR DETAIL. 2057 COMMENCED MANEUVERING AT VARIOUS COURSES AND SPEEDS WHILE IN OP AREA. COURSE LEGS ARE 035° AND 215°. 2322 SECURED PORT MAIN ENGINE.

RW Sendelbach, ENS, USNR

APPROVED: EXAMINED:

J B Cothey LCDR U. S. N. COMMANDING R J Osterman, LT. U. S. N. NAVIGATOR

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DECK LOG - REMARKS SHEET

USS ABILITY (MSO 519) ZONE DESCRIPTION -1A DATE SUNDAY (Day) 27 (Date) FEB (Month) . 1966

AT/PASSAGE FROM _____ TO _____

POSITION ZONE TIME	POSITION ZONE TIME	POSITION ZONE TIME	LEGEND: 1-CELESTIAL
0800	1200	2000	2-ELECTRONIC
L _____ BY _____	L _____ BY _____	L 37-13.2N BY 2	3-VISUAL
λ _____ BY _____	λ _____ BY _____	λ 01-44.5W BY 2	4-D. R.

REMARKS

00-04 UNDERWAY INDEPENDENTLY CONDUCTING INNER BARRIER PATROL OFF PALOMARES, SPAIN IN ACCORDANCE WITH CTFG'S NIGHT ORDERS FOR 26 FEBRUARY 1966. PATROLING ON LEGS OF 035 AND 215, BASE SPEED 2 KTS. SHIP IN CONDITION WATCH IV WITH MATERIAL CONDITION YOICE SET. OTC IS CTF 65 EMBARKED ON USS BOSTON (CAG 1). MANEUVERING AT VARIOUS COURSES AND SPEEDS WHILE CONDUCTING SC PATROL ALONG ASSIGNED LEGS.
B S Willard, LDO, USNR

04-08 Underway as before. 0750 Mustered the crew at quarters. Absentees: None.
Marvin S. Davis Jr.
Ensign, USNR

08-12 UNDERWAY AS BEFORE.
J S Clark
LDO USNR.

APPROVED: T G Cotter Jr CDR U. S. N. COMMANDING

EXAMINED: R J Ostermann LT. U. S. N. NAVIGATOR

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USS ABILITY (MSO 519) DATE SUNDAY 27 FEB. 1966
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REMARKS-CONTINUED

S 12-16 UNDERWAY AS BEFORE. 1211 STEERING VARIOUS COURSES AT VARIOUS SPEEDS WHILE PROCEEDING TO ASSIGNED OP AREA. 1307 COMMENCED MANEUVERING AT VARIOUS COURSES AND SPEEDS WHILE IN OP AREA. COURSE LEGS ARE 035° AND 215°. S

R.W. Sendelbach, ENS, USNR

16-20 UNDERWAY AS BEFORE. 1750 WINDS INCREASED TO 30-40 KTS. 1840 WINDS SUBSIDED TO ABOUT 15-20 KTS. 1855 PASSED REFERENCE BOUY ABEAM TO PORT. 1900 MANEUVERING TO TAKE STATION 5 MILES DOWNWIND FROM USS BOSTON (CAG 1). 1952 PROCEEDED TO ASSIGNED OP-AREA.

B S Williams, LTJG, USNR

B 20-24 Underway as before. 2012 Secured port main engine. Changed speed 3 knots. 2032 Commenced sonar search of assigned area on legs of 220° and 040°. 2220 Decca navigational equipment out of commision due to high winds on beach causing damage to slave station. Continued sonar search using radar navigation.

Marvin D. Bass, Jr.
Ensign, USNR

APPROVED: EXAMINED:

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USS ABILITY (MSO 519) ZONE DESCRIPTION -1A DATE MONDAY, 28 FEB. 19 66
(Day) (Date) (Month)

AT/PASSAGE FROM PALOMARES, SPAIN. TO

POSITION ZONE TIME		
0800		
L 37-11.3 N	BY	2
λ 01-44.5 W	BY	2

POSITION ZONE TIME		
1200		
L 37-12.8 N	BY	2
λ 01-42.3 W	BY	2

POSITION ZONE TIME		
2000		
L 37-11.6 N	BY	2
λ 01-43.2 W	BY	2

LEGEND: 1-CELESTIAL
2-ELECTRONIC
3-VISUAL
4-D. R.

REMARKS

00-04 STEAMING INDEPENDENTLY OFF PALOMARES, SPAIN, IN ACCORDANCE WITH CTF 65 NIGHT ORDERS FOR 27 FEBRUARY 1966, BASE COURSE IS 035°T AND 215°T, BASE SPEED 1 KNOT. SHIP IS IN CONDITION WATCH III WITH MATERIAL CONDITION YOKE SET. OTC IS CTF 65 EMBARKED IN USS BOSTON (CAG 1). 0017 C/C 035°T C/S 6 KNOTS 0045 C/C 230°T C/S 1 KNOT. 0205 C/C 030°T C/S 6 KNOTS. 0257 C/C 220°T 0310 C/S 2 KNOTS. 0342 C/C 040°T, C/S 3 KNOTS.

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CTJG USNR.

S 04-08 UNDERWAY AS BEFORE. 0750 MUSTERED CREW AT QUARTERS. ABSENTEES: NONE

R W Sendelbach, ENS, USNR

08-12 UNDERWAY AS BEFORE. MANEUVERING AT VARIOUS COURSES AND SPEEDS WHILE CONDUCTING SONAR SEARCH OF ASSIGNED OP-AREA

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APPROVED: [signature] LCDR U. S. N. COMMANDING

EXAMINED: [signature], LT. USN U. S. N. NAVIGATOR

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USS ABILITY (MSO 519) DATE MON, 28 FEB. 1966
(Day) (Date) (Month)

REMARKS-CONTINUED

12-16 Underway as before. Steering various courses at various speeds while conducting sonar search of assigned operation area. 1310 Exercised the crew at General Quarters. 1313 Condition Zebra set throughout the ship. 1335 Set material condition Yoke. 1337 Secured from General Quarters. 1538 Exercised the crew at General Quarters. 1540 Material condition Zebra set throughout the ship. HO

Marvin L Bass, Jr.
Ensign, USNR

16-20 UNDERWAY AS BEFORE. 1609 SECURED FROM GENERAL QUARTERS. 1617 C/C 264° T 1620 C/C 235° T. 1630 C/C 010° T. C/S 4 KNOTS. 1633 C/S 2 KNOTS. 1649 C/C 038° T. 1650 C/C 235° T. 1716 C/C 010° T 1730 C/C 035° T. 1758 C/C 215° T 1824 C/C 010° T. 1847 C/C 220° T 1914 C/C 015° T. 1942 C/C 220° T.

J D Clarke
LTJG USNR.

20-24 UNDERWAY AS BEFORE. MANEUVERING AT VARIOUS COURSES AND SPEEDS WHILE IN OPAREA. COURSE LEGS ARE 035° AND 215°.

RW Sendelbach, ENS, USNR

APPROVED: EXAMINED:

J O Bottle JR CDR U. S. N. COMMANDING R J Osterman, LT. U. S. N. NAVIGATOR

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